

# BUDGET SPEECH

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**GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA** 

Respected Speaker Sir,

I rise to present the Budget for the year 2025-26 to this August house.

At the very outset, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Bhai Modiji and Hon'ble Union Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman for presenting Union Budget 2025-26 with balanced forward-looking approach, addressing economic growth, social welfare, innovation, substantial income tax relief for the middle class, major investments in agricultural research and taking initiatives to boost infrastructure and digital connectivity. The Union Budget will set a strong foundation for sustainable development and equitable growth which will benefit all sections of the society.

Under the able leadership of our Hon'ble Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha, our State charted its path towards 'Vikshit Tripura' through development of quality infrastructure- physical and social, development of planned urban conglomeration, citizen centric Government leveraging on technology and reforms, ensuring Ease of Doing Business, investment promotion, attracting investors in focus sectors; Skill Development and Capacity Building; Environmental Sustainability and Conservation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Public Representatives, Government Officials, Civic Societies, NDRF, NGOs, Clubs and every other individual, who came forward and lended a helping hand to rescue the people, domestic animals, property or helped in any other manner at the time of devastating flood which the State had experienced in August, 2024. That shows the dedication of people of our State to come forward, to help each other at the time of need. With the help of all, the State could manage such a devastating calamity and could bring the life back to normal within minimum time.

As I move to talk about economy and finances, I must mention here that as per Monetary Policy Statement 2024-25, amidst challenging global economic environment, the Indian Economy continued to remain strong and resilient, also did not remain immune to global headwinds. In spite of that, the growth trajectory of Indian economy remained steadfast.

Our State has managed its finances well under the able leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha. Sixteenth Finance Commission during its recent visit to the State has appreciated the efforts of the State Government for managing its finances in better manner in

spite of having resource constraints.

- 2. Growth of capital expenditure of our State has shown substantial increase over the last few years and Government of India is going to incentivize the state with Rs.219.09 Cr. Our State Government has given thrust on more capital expenditure for accelerated economic growth and employment generation.
- 3. Respected Speaker Sir, by means of this budget, we tried for inclusive development of all sections of society keeping conformity with our mantra of 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas'.

Now, I move to Department wise major achievements for 2024-25 and major declarations for 2025-26.

## **Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**

- 4. Since 2018-19, 2,77,970 farmers have been benefitted from Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Niddhi Yojana (PM-KISAN). An amount of Rs. 842.62 Cr has been deposited in the bank accounts of these beneficiary farmers. 14.14 lakh farmers of the State have been covered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY). 3,81,685 Kisan Credit Card (KCC) has been distributed among the farmers. Farmers so far have received Rs. 2142.58 Cr under KCC. Since 2018-19, 2.25 lakh tons of paddy were procured from farmers of the State at Minimum Support Price (MSP) till last season.
- 5. The State Government has given thrust in organic and natural farming for sustainable agriculture. At present 20,161 ha area is under organic farming involving 19,916 farmers.

  Moreover, 1076 organic clusters and 40 Farmers Producer Company (FPC) were formed.
- 6. For increasing production and productivity of paddy crops, Mukhyamantri Integrated Crop Management Programme (MICMP) implemented during 2024-25 with a coverage of 92,588 Ha.
- 7. For disseminating better administrative and technological support to the farmers, 5 (five) Agri. Development cum Research Centres with IT facilities were established at Satchand, Karbook, Killa and Kumarghat during 2024-25.
- 8. From 2018-19 onwards 1,91,290 Soil Health Cards (SHCs) have been distributed among farmers of the State. Department could able to achieve 100 percent target for distribution of

- SHC to 3 (three) selected Aspirational Blocks mainly Damcherra, Ganganagar, Dasda and also entire Dhalai district.
- 9. State Government has taken a decision for infrastructural development of 52 Rural Markets in 8(eight) districts of Tripura with a financial involvement of Rs. 127.15 Cr.
- 10. State Government has taken initiatives for strengthening and upgradation of Tripura State Agriculture Management & Extension Training Institute (T-SAMETI) and infrastructure for Modern Learning Centre in West Tripura with the project cost of Rs. 18.50 Cr.
- 11. Now, I propose to launch 'Mukhyamantri Sashya Shyamala Yojana'during 2025-26 for promoting high yielding varieties of crops. A budget provision of Rs. 5 (five) Cr is allocated initially for the same for the year 2025-26.

## **Animal Resources Development**

- 12. State Government has given thrust for increasing the production of animal-based protein by artificial insemination, other breeding practices, apart from supply of exotic germ plasm of high yielding varieties of livestock and birds. State Government also took initiatives for improvement of veterinary services for curative and preventive health care for animals and birds.
- 13. During 2024-25 financial year, 5,000 livestock farmers were supported by financial assistance @ Rs. 6000/- under Mukhyamantri Pranipalak Samman Nidhi. Under Mukhyamantri Prani Sampad Bikash Yojana, poultry chicks and ducklings were supplied to 36,000 farmers.
- 14. During the devastating flood, 766 relief and treatment camps were organized wherein 9,129 cattle were housed, 41,924 livestock and 55,867 birds were treated. 68.71 MT concentrated feed and 14.29 MT green fodder were distributed. As a post flood activity, 851 treatment camps were organized at GP/VC level, 1,12,055 livestock and 2,09,233 birds were treated and vaccinated and 28,948 livestock farmers were benefitted.
- 15. I propose to launch 50 new mini-mobile veterinary units from 2025-26. An amount of Rs. 4.50 Cr is allocated for this purpose.
- 16. During 2025-26, State Government is going to provide financial support of Rs. 2(two) Cr to the Gomati Co-operative Milk Producer Union Ltd (GCMPUL) for new Milk Unit Project at Bamutia.

## **Fisheries**

- 17. Fisheries and aquaculture is one of the key sectors for livelihood generation in our state.
- 18. During 2024-25, under Matsya Sahayak Yojana, 3,000 beneficiaries were benefitted with a financial involvement of Rs. 1.80 Cr. Under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, a total of 7081 beneficiaries were benefitted with a financial involvement of Rs. 26.48 Cr and 13,473 farmers were given financial assistance of Rs. 5.38 Cr during devastating flood.
- 19. During 2025-26, 1(one) Fisheries Awareness cum Training Centre will be constructed in Unokoti district. An amount of Rs. 8.82 Cr will be spent for the same.

## **Education (Secondary & Elementary)**

- 20. The State Government has undertaken key initiatives to strengthen the education sector. The State Government took initiatives to fill up different teaching and non teaching posts like PGTs, GTs (IX-X & VI-VIII), UGTs, Pre-Primary Teachers, PGTs (Computer Science), Physical Education Teachers, Special Educators and School Librarians. Under Super-30 Scheme, one student secured admission in IIT, 3(three) in NIT and 3(three) in MBBS courses during 2024-25. Through the CM-SATH Scholarship, 200 meritorious students received @ Rs. 60,000/-, with a total expenditure of Rs. 1.20 Cr. 23,300 bicycles were distributed to girl students at a cost of Rs. 10 Cr. Further, 46(forty six) High and Higher Secondary Schools are under construction with an investment of Rs. 335.71 Cr under RIDF and Rs. 44.22 Cr under Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment.
- 21. Under National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN) Tripura, 4,227 schools have been equipped with NIPUN Corners to foster joyful learning and boost foundational literacy and numeracy. To enhance PM Poshan monitoring, 100 percent schools report daily via Automated Monitoring System rolled out in this year. Kitchen Gardens in 3,134 schools were newly developed during this financial year to supply vegetables for mid-day meals.
- 22. During 2024-25, under Samagra Shiksha and PM-SHRI, Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Project in 181(one eighty one) Schools, Smart Classroom in 95(ninety five) Schools, 'Tinkering Lab' in 140(one forty) Schools, Personal Adaptive Learning (PAL) Lab in 180(one eighty) Schools, 'Skill Education' in 102 Schools have been introduced.

- Besides, 3,520 Children with special needs have been provided different facilities. Moreover, construction of 75(seventy five) additional Classrooms, 92(ninety two) Toilets and 23(twenty three) Teacher's Quarters have been taken up. A budget provision of Rs. 77.07 Cr has been allocated for this purpose.
- 23. During 2024-25 financial year, 378 schools have been provided TLM Parks at a cost of Rs. 18.90 Cr. Total 2,22,136 students have participated in educational excursions costing Rs. 50.39 Cr. Library books worth Rs.4.20 Cr have been provided to 4,218 schools in this year. Youth & Eco Clubs have been formed in 4,218 schools with an expenditure of Rs. 52.50 Cr. Science & Math Clubs have been established in 999 schools with Rs. 4.99 Cr. Again 1,276 schools have received Science & Math Kits costing Rs. 16.42 Cr. Student hostels have been constructed in 15(fifteen) Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas with an expenditure of Rs. 9.81 Cr, while 16(sixteen) student hostels have been constructed under the Netaji Subhas Chandra Residential School Project at Rs. 4.31 Cr during this year. 455 schools have been equipped with Sanitary Napkin Vending Machines and Incinerators within this year. An amount of Rs. 1.31 Cr will be spent for the same. Under Rani Laxmibai Self-Defence Training Programme, 1,42,302 girl students from 2,058 schools have undergone three-month self-defence training to enhance students safety and confidence.
- 24. During 2025-26, I propose to set up 'Coaching Centres on Science Subjects and English' in each Sub-Division for 100 students each of Classes XI and XII per Sub-Division. Sadar Sub-Division will have 3 (three) such Centres, considering more number of students enrolled in science stream. A budget provision of Rs.7(seven) Cr has been allocated initially for the same for the year 2025-26.

## **Higher Education**

25. State Government has taken initiative to fill up 201 vacant posts of Assistant Professors in various Degree Colleges of Tripura and 13(thirteen) posts of Principals for Degree Colleges. State Government has also taken initiatives to fill up 23(twenty three) posts of Instructor (Music) in the Sachin Deb Barman Memorial Government Music College. I am happy to inform that State Government has provided 140 Scooties to meritorious girls perusing higher studies in Government Degree Colleges.

- 26. I am happy to inform this August house that State Government has taken a decision to upgrade Women's College to Women's University. Similarly, Tripura Institute of Technology (TIT) will be upgraded to State Technical University.
- 27. During 2025-26, I propose to set up new Degree Colleges at Ambassa, Kakraban and Karbook.
- 28. During 2025-26, I also propose to set up 'Tripura Competitive Examination Centres' at Agartala, Udaipur and Ambassa to provide quality coaching for aspirants preparing for different competitive examinations. A budget provision of Rs.1.50 Cr has been allocated initially for this purpose for the financial year 2025-26.

#### **Youth Affairs & Sports**

- 29. State Government has taken up various initiatives to improve the sports infrastructures throughout the State. During 2024-25, Synthetic Football Turfs have been developed at Khowai Government H.S. School, Sudhanwa Debbarma Memorial H.S Schoolat Jampuijala. Synthetic Hockey Play field at Badharghat, Synthetic Athletic Track at Regional College of Physical Education at Panisagar are also being constructed. 1(one) 200 bedded Yuba Awas has been constructed at Ambassa.
- 30. During 2025-26, 2(two) Multipurpose Sports Indoor Halls will be constructed at Kailashahar and Udaipur. Synthetic Football Turfs will be constructed at Gandatwisa and Kakraban. 200 bedded Sports Hostel will be constructed at Dasarath Deb Sports Complex, Badharghat. More 50 (fifty) Open Gymnasium will be constructed during 2025-26 at various locations of the State. Sports Infrastructure will be developed at Bholagiri, Agartala which will have facilities such as Gallery, International Standard Swimming Pool, Natural Football Turf and Multipurpose Sports Hall. School Sports competition and Talent Search Programme will be organized at Block, Sub-Division, District and State Level.

#### **Health Services**

Respected Speaker Sir,

31. State Government has given utmost thrust for development of health service and health

infrastructure. New PHC building at Kanchanbari under Unakoti district, new PHC building at Dayaram and new CHC building at Takarjala under Sepahijala district, new PHC building at 82-mile under Dhalai district, new PHC building at Niharnagar under South District have been constructed.

- 32. During 2025-26, I propose to construct 10(ten) bedded PHC building at Marachara under Dhalai district, 10(ten) bedded PHC building at Rupaichari under South district and Staff Ouarters in different PHCs and CHCs.
- 33. I would like to mention here that after creation of Sepahijala district, there is a felt need for establishment of dedicated District Hospital for providing secondary and tertiary health facilities. For this purpose, suitable land has been identified at Bishramganj and a project is submitted to the Ministry of Development for North Eastern Region for sanction of Rs. 45.57 Cr. Additional funds for construction of quarters and other supporting infrastructure will be borne by the State Government.
- 34. It is also felt necessary to construct new building with modern health facilities for Khowai district hospital as the present premises are insufficient. For this purpose, suitable land is identified at Khowai and the project is submitted to the Ministry of Development for North Eastern Region for sanction of Rs. 48.95 Cr. Additional funds for construction of quarters and other supporting infrastructure will be borne by the State Government.
- 35. 150 bedded Gomati District Hospital, Tepania also needs expansion as there is increase in footfalls of patients for consultation, diagnostic and treatment related services, especially after the launch of Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) and Chief Minister's Jan Arogya Yojana (CM-JAY) 2023. The facilities to be created under the proposed expansion are (i) Separate Complex for OPD, (ii) Isolation Block, (iii) Extension of MCH building with 2 (two) additional wards, (iv) Patient waiting / resting area with common sanitary complex by the side of Hospital, (v) Parking area for Ambulances as well as staff and others, (vi) Ramp way from trauma building to Mortuary. For these purpose, initially an amount of Rs. 10 Cr is allocated in the budget for the year 2025-26.
- 36. Recently, the State Government has established Sub-Divisional Hospitals at Panisagar, Kumarghat and Karbook. Jirania CHC is being upgraded to new 50(fifty) bedded Sub-Divisional Hospital. Jampuijala Sub-Division in Sepahijala District and Mohanpur Sub-Division in West Tripura district does not have Sub-Divisional hospitals. Therefore, it is

proposed that the 30(thirty)-bedded CHC at Takarjala and 30(thirty)-bedded Community Health Centre at Sidhai Mohanpur, West Tripura will be upgraded to 50(fifty) bedded Sub-Divisional Hospitals. It may be noted that the Mohanpur CHC also serves as the Rural Health Training Centre for the AGMC & GBP Hospital. These Sub-Divisional Hospitals will provide health services like OPD, IPD, Emergency, Diagnostic, Counselling, Operation Theatre, Blood Storage, Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) Oxygen Plant etc. and will also function as First Referral Units (FRU). The existing Tripura Sundari Sub-Divisional Hospital at Udaipur will be renovated as the building is more than 50 (fifty) years old. An amount of Rs. 15 Cr has been allocated initially for the same for the year 2025-26.

- 37. State Government aims to set up of Regional Institute of Ophthalmology/Tertiary Eye Care Hospital (100 bedded) at Agartala to provide accessible, high-quality ophthalmic care to people of the state by enabling early detection and treatment of eye diseases, prevention of blindness and comprehensive care for complex ocular conditions with all recent facilities of high-end medical diagnostic and medical equipment under single roof. It will also serve as a Centre of Excellence for the training and also will help in promoting research in eye health. For this purpose, initially an amount of Rs. 5(five) Cr is allocated in the budget to start the preparatory activities.
- 38. It is proposed to construct semi-furnished Doctors' quarters along with quarters for other health staff in all District Hospitals, Sub-Divisional Hospitals, PHCs and CHCs across the state in a phased manner over next 3 (three) years. An amount of Rs. 100 Cr has been allocated initially for the same.
- 39. For establishment of 20 (twenty) bedded Special Ward in AGMC & GBP Hospital, ONGC has sanctioned CSR fund of Rs. 34.47 Cr through which the implementation is already started. State Government will provide additional Rs. 10(ten) Cr for engagement of specialists Doctors, Nurses and other supporting staff along with ancillary services and furniture for providing special care.
- 40. AGMC & GBP Hospital has conducted 2(two) successful kidney transplants during 2024-25 and many kidney transplants are planned in near future. For expanding the organ donation and organ transplants like liver, heart etc., State Government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with MOHAN Foundation, a pioneer organization working in this sector for many decades. In order to develop the necessary infrastructure for organ transplant

- in AGMC & GBP Hospital, an amount of Rs. 10(ten) Cr is allocated initially.
- 41. The Indira Gandhi Memorial (IGM) Hospital, a vital medical institution in Tripura, was set up as a 30(thirty) bedded hospital by King Bir Chandra Manikya Bahadur in 1873. Later, during British rule in the early 1900s, it was expanded and renamed as the Victoria Memorial Hospital. Today, it operates with 608 beds, serving 1200-1500 outpatients daily and supporting various medical training programs. Recognizing the historical significance of the historical building, it is proposed to preserve the heritage structure by retrofitting and restoration. An amount of Rs. 5.75 Cr is allocated for its conservation and development.
- 42. In order to reach all pockets of People Who Inject Drugs (PWID) and other at-risk populations and for increased and frequent HIV testing, it is proposed to introduce Mobile ICTC van for each district in the State. For this purpose, StateGovernment will provide funds in addition to financial assistance being received from NACO. These mobile vans will ensure the achievement of 95:95:95 strategy of NACP V.
- 43. 8 (eight) District De-addiction Centres which are being taken up for establishment will be operated by Targeted Intervention NGOs working with Injecting Drug Users. It is also proposed to engage 5(five) additional Targeted Intervention NGOs for Khowai District, Sepahijala District, Unakoti District for migrant labourers and MSM and Transgender persons in West Tripura District. An amount of Rs. 40(forty) Cr will be spent.
- 44. National Aids Control Organization has approved establishment of Red Ribbon Clubs (RRCs) in 100 Schools of Tripura. On pilot basis, these schools would be sensitized on HIV/AIDS. These RRCs will organize various awareness programmes throughout the year on HIV/AIDS and Injecting Drug Use (IDU) and its bad effects under the guidance of a trained Nodal Teacher/NSS Programme officer from each school.

## Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs

- 45. Under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY), during 2024-25 (till January, 2025), beneficiaries of National Food Security Act (NFSA) were provided with 1.34 lakh MT of rice free of cost incurring subsidy of approximately Rs.523 Cr from the Central Government.
- 46. In response to the severe floods and landslides in the State during August, 2024, an additional allocation of rice @ 10 Kg per family was provided free of cost through PDS for 2(two)

- months. About 18,000 MT of fortified rice was distributed through Fair Price Shops during this period, incurring an expenditure of Rs.70(seventy) Cr.
- 47. To promote consumer awareness, Consumer Clubs have been established in 100 selected schools and 18(eighteen) colleges/universities across the state. These clubs conduct seminars, interactive sessions and publish newsletters to educate students and communities about consumer rights. Necessary funds have been provided to the respective institutions to support these activities. The Bru families displaced from Mizoram and resettled in Tripura have been brought under the ambit of the Targeted Public Distribution System, ensuring their food and nutritional security. So far, total 6,797 such families comprising 23,635 individuals, have been covered under the PDS.
- 48. During 2025-26, for the welfare of farmers, it is planned to continue paddy procurement programme with a target of procuring 40,000 MT paddy involving financial expenditure of Rs.120 Cr towards MSP, milling cost, PPC operation cost etc.

#### **Tribal Welfare**

- 49. With the moto of 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas', our Government has given all out efforts for development of our Janajati brothers and sisters.
- 50. For socio-economic development of Janajati families, 23,177 Ha rubber plantations were created under Chief Ministers' Rubber Mission benefitting 28,149 families. Soft loanswere provided to 83(eighty three) ST youths for entrepreneurship through Tripura State ST Development Corporation. Financial assistance was provided to 2,073 ST individuals for income generations and creating livelihood opportunities under Mukhyamantri Janjati Vikas Yojana.
- 51. As a part of Special Economic Development Package for the development of Janajati, 500 Sewing Machines, 55 Rickshaws were distributed and 100 families were assisted for piggery farming.
- 52. Different development works for socio-economic development of ST families are being taken up under World Bank Funded Tripura Rural Economic Growth and Service Delivery Project (TRESP). The project is being implemented through 6 (six) different Project Implementing Units (PIUs).

- 53. Stipends have been provided to the ST students in the form of Boarding house stipend (33,165 ST students), Post-Matric Scholarship (33,493 ST students) and Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class IX to X) (11,534 ST students). Apart from scholarship/stipend, State Government is providing Merit Awards (6,862 ST students), one-time financial support (254 ST students) and special coaching under Supplementary Education for Elementary Classes (SEEC) (9,944 ST students).
- 54. For promoting sports among the ST students, sports items like Volleyball, Football, Carom Board and Cricket equipment's were distributed to 62(sixty two) ST Girls Hostels and 99(ninety nine) ST Boys Hostels.
- 55. Tripura State Academy of Tribal Centre (TSATC) has become a centre of excellence in preserving and nurturing tribal cultures. The performance of the students of the academy is appreciated across the country. Recently, the academy secured top position in many performances. The Academy secured first position in Folk Dance Competition in the Janjatiya Gaurav Mela 2025, held at Bhubaneswar, Odisha and third position at 28th National Youth Festival Folk Dance Competition held on 12th January, 2025 at Baharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- 56. To preserve the culture of all the schedule tribe communities, State Government is going to organize workshops on tribal musical instruments. Cultural programme will also be organized for all the communities at Sub-Division, District and State level. An amount of Rs. 3(three) Cr is allocated for the same for the year 2025-26.
- 57. I am happy to inform this August house that Government of India announced the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DA-JGUA) for comprehensive development of tribal areas and communities by addressing critical gaps in infrastructure, healthcare, education and livelihood. The mission will cover 392 villages of our State over the period of 5(five) years.
- 58. During 2025-26, 20,745 Ha of rubber plantation will be taken up under Chief Ministers' Rubber Mission. 10(ten) rubber processing units will be constructed. 3(three) ST Hostels with 100 seated capacities and 7(seven) new ST hostels with 50(fifty) seated capacities will be constructed. For providing purified drinking water to boarding house students, water treatment facility will be constructed in 36(thirty six) ST Hostels.

- 59. Super-100 Programme will be launched under the Chief Minister's Tribal Development Mission to provide quality coaching to the meritorious ST students to increase their chances of success in the all-India competitive examinations like JEE (Main), NEET, UPSC (CSE) etc. through reputed agencies. With adequate guidance, more Janajati students can enter in top Government services like IAS, IPS, IFS etc. through UPSC. An amount of Rs. 3.10 Cr will be spent in 2025-26.
- 60. State Government has provided an amount of Rs. 169.82 Cr as additional in favour of TTAADC in this fiscal year over the budget provision. **During 2025-26, State Government will provide a total fund of Rs.860.28 Cr to TTAADC.** This is over and above the allocation to be made from RIDF and Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment which will be given for project based capital infrastructure. The total provision under TSP including allocation of TTAADC has been kept at Rs.7148.85 Cr. Most of the fund under TSP will be utilized in TTAADC area.

#### **Welfare of Scheduled Caste**

- 61. State Government gives maximum thrust for all round development of people belonging to Scheduled Caste category. During 2024-25, Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class VI to VIII) have been provided to 17,302 SC students. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Merit Award were given to 6,784 SC students. 8,700 students will be benefitted through Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class IX to X). 23,300 students will be benefitted by Post-Matric Scholarship.
- 62. Under Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojna (PM-AJAY) different infrastructural works such as construction of Poultry Shelter, Solar Street light, boundary wall, water tank, pucca drain, brick soling road, box culvert, Anganwadi Centre and installation of Submersible Pumps, Small Bore Deep Tube Well have been taken up in Scheduled Caste dominating villages, involving an amount of Rs.2.73 Cr.
- 63. During 2025-26, the department has fixed a target to provide Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class VI to VIII) to 20,000 students with support of Rs. 2(two) Cr. Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class IX to X) will be given to 9,500 students by involving of Rs. 0.39 Cr as 10 percent state share. Post Matric Scholarship will be provided to 23,500 students

by involving Rs. 6.38 Cr as 10 percent state share. 8,140 students will be awarded by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Merit Award with a financial involvement of Rs. 0.80 Cr. Besides, One Time Financial Support (OTFS) shall be provided to 480 students involving Rs. 2.40 Cr Infrastructural work in Grant-in-Aid component under PM-AJAY will be taken up and gap filling work in 32(thirty two) SC dominated selected villages will also be taken up out of balance fund amounting to Rs. 4.81 Cr to be received under Adarsh Gram component of PM-AJAY.

64. During 2025-26, IT infrastructure of SC hostels will be augmented. For enhancing the income of Scheduled Caste families, I propose to introduce Poultry and Duckery scheme. Moreover, financial assistance will be provided to small businessman from Scheduled Caste categories, who deal in fish, dry fish and vegetables.

# Welfare of Other Backward Classes (OBCs)

- 65. State Government has been implementing different schemes for the socio-economic upliftment of the OBC people of the State by providing financial assistance through different Scholarship Schemes, State run schemes such as Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Gold Medal and Merit Award, One Time Financial Support to Economically Weaker Meritorious Students, Financial Assistance to Poor OBC Patients under Nucleus Budget Scheme etc. wherein last year 44,727 beneficiaries have been benefited with a financial involvement of Rs. 47.51 Cr.
- 66. Apart from that, till the end of the financial year 2024-25, 46,000 beneficiaries will be benefited with a financial involvement of Rs. 50(fifty) Cr.
- 67. In addition to that, construction of 1(one) Girls hostel with 200 seated capacities at Women's Polytechnic College, Hapania, will be taken up with the funding support from the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India.
- 68. OBC Co-operative Development Corporation Ltd. is also supporting unemployed OBC youth to become self-reliant by providing different soft loans and skill development trainings in different trades. During 2024-25, 97 beneficiaries have been benefited with a financial involvement of Rs. 1.78 Cr.

69. During 2025-26, training will be imparted to OBC individuals who are involved with Rubber Plantation on the use of modern tools and equipments for latex collection and processing and tools and equipments will be provided to the trainees after the training.

## **Minorities Welfare**

- 70. Our Government emphasizes upon the development of all sections of the society including minorities to ensure that nobody is left behind in the development process of the State Government.
- 71. For protection of Wakf properties, State Government has spent Rs. 66 lakh during 2024-25 and an amount of Rs. 77 lakh was provided to Wakf Board as grant.
- 72. During 2024-25, socio-economic development and infrastructural development works have been taken up in 12(twelve) minority concentrated blocks under PMJVK. An amount of Rs. 17.50 Cr is being spent for construction of School Hostels, Anganwadi Centres in those minority concentrated blocks.
- 73. Budget allocation for Scholarship purposes during 2024-25 is Rs. 8.50 Cr. Pre-matric and Post-Matric Scholarship have been provided to 3,783 students for which total fund utilized is Rs. 0.43 Cr. One-time financial support has been provided to 605 minority students for pursuing professional courses, an amount of Rs. 3.02 Cr has been spent.
- 74. Tripura Minorities Welfare Co-operative Development Corporation has given soft loan to 13(thirteen) businessman and 16(sixteen) students.
- 75. For hassle free holy Haj, 42 pilgrims will be helped financially. An amount of Rs. 55 lakh will be spent.
- 76. During 2025-26, State Government is going to spend an amount of Rs. 1.20 Cr for development and protection of Wakf properties. For taking up different development works in minority dominated villages, an amount of Rs. 5(five) Cr is allocated. Apart from that, for development of socio-economic infrastructure of minority concentrated blocks under Pradhan Mantri Jana Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK), an amount of Rs. 20

- (twenty) Cr is allocated. Rs. 9.35 Cr is allocated for providing Pre and Post Matric stipend to students from minority communities.
- 77. During 2025-26, construction work of Nazrul Chhatrabas will be completed. An amount of Rs. 3.51 Cr will be spent for the same.
- 78. I propose to launch a new scheme for providing financial assistance for upgradation of livelihood of indigent RM families. An amount of Rs. 1.50 Cr is allocated initially for the same for the financial year 2025-26.

#### **Social Welfare and Social Education**

- 79. Providing social security to the disadvantaged sections of the society has been always a priority for our Government. Our Government enhanced the rate of Social Pension from Rs.700/- per month to Rs.2,000/- per month per pensioner.
- 80. During 2024-25, 4,08,727 beneficiaries received social pensions under different schemes and an amount of Rs.518.11 Cr has been spent.
- 81. Our Government has framed the 'Tripura State Policy for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) 2024', to promote equal opportunities, protect rights and inclusive development of the Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan).
- 82. State Government introduced Marriage Grant for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Rehabilitation Grant for the person who leave the care institutions after attaining 18(eighteen) years of age and financial assistance are also being given for medical and educational expenses of newly born children of Divyangjan.
- 83. Financial assistance has also been provided to 3,205 Pregnant Women under Mukhyamantri Matripushti Uphar.
- 84. For nurturing the talents from childhood, 200 Anganwadi Centres in Dhalai Districts were upgraded with modern amenities like LED, TV, RO Water filter and Water harvesting structures.
- 85.. During 2025-26, I propose to introduce one new scheme 'Mukhyamantri Konya Bibaha Yojana'. Under this, the State Government will cover the cost of marriage for a girl child from Antyodaya family. An amount of Rs.50,000/- will be spent by the State

- Government. Mass marriage will be conducted at Sub-Division level. An amount of Rs.10 Cr is allocated for this purpose.
- 86. To make sure that people from other places of the state who get stuck due to various reasons, get accommodation at night in Agartala city and also get subsidized food at night. I propose to set up 'Bharat Mata Canteen cum Night Shelter' at Agartala. A budget provision of Rs. 2 Cr is allocated for the same.

## Respected Speaker Sir,

- 87. I am very happy and delighted to inform this August house that the State Government is going to launch 'Chief Minister's Scheme for Mentally Challenged Persons' under which mentally challenged persons will be given monthly pension of Rs. 5,000/-. Those who are already getting Rs.2000/ per month as disability pension, they will get additional Rs. 3000/ per month. Detail guidelines will be made by the Social Welfare & Social Education Department of the State Government in this regard. I propose to allocate an amount of Rs. 40 Cr for this scheme.
- 88. I propose to set up a 'Recreation Centre for intellectually disabled children' An amount of Rs. 5 Cr is allocated initially for this Centre.
- 89. I also propose a new scheme 'Mukhyamantri Balika Samriddhi Yojana'. Under this scheme, an investment of Rs. 50,000/- will be made against a new born girl child of Antodyaya family of permanent resident of Tripura, which can be encashed with the value at maturity, after the girl attains 18(eighteen) years of age. A budget provision of Rs. 15 Cr is allocated for the same for the year 2025-26.

## **Rural Development**

- 90. During Financial Year 2024-25, 22,002 houses have been completed and Rs.146.68 Cr expenditure has been incurred.
- 91. 8,221 houses have been sanctioned under PM-JANMAN for the Primitive Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) and 8,216 houses have been completed. Rs.221.47 Cr expenditure has been incurred under PM-JANMAN.

- 92. 3.41 Cr person-days have been generated within an outlay of Rs. 1117 Cr till February, 2025 under MGNREGA during 2024-25.
- 93. Tripura has achieved 100 percent saturation in the 6 (six) key indicators under 'Sampoornata Abhiyan', well ahead of the scheduled time line. This remarkable feat encompasses essential factors such as Health, Nutrition, Agriculture, Social Development and Education in Dhalai district, being Aspirational District and Ganganagar, Dasda and Damcherra being Aspirational Blocks of the State.
- 94. The State has completed 682 Amrit Sarovars. The total area covered under this project is 877.19 acre. The state has already handed over the completed Amrit Sarovars to 682 Self Help Groups (SHGs). The state is also going to start the next phase of the Amrit Sarovar and has already identified 112 sites.
- 95. The expected fund during 2025-26 is Rs.1360 Cr under MGNREGA, Rs.1458 Cr under PMAY(G) and Rs.475 Cr under TRLM.
- 96. A 500 seated Town Hall will be constructed at Pecharthal with financial involvement of Rs. 7.61 Cr.
- 97. During Financial Year 2024-25, around 12,663 women from rural poor families have been mobilized into Self Help Groups (SHGs). 121 Village Organizations (VOs) and 20(twenty) Cluster Level Federations (CLFs) have been formed during 2024-25. As a financial assistance, Rs.14.33 Cr has been provided as Revolving Fund to 3,595 SHGs and Rs.68.01 Cr has been provided as Community Improvement Fund to 4,081 SHGs. During 2024-25, 13,160 SHGs have received bank loan with a disbursement of Rs.320.42 Cr for augmenting various income generation activities. A total of 1,133 Community Service Provider, such as Krishi Sakhi, Pashu Sakhi, Matshya Sakhi and Krishi Udyog Sakhi have been developed during the financial year 2024-25. So far 83,424 SHGs mentors are made Lakhpati Didi by different initiatives and interventions.
- 98. During 2025-26, for further strengthening of community-based institutions, Revolving Fund will be provided to 3,500 SHGs and a Community Improvement Fund will be provided to 4,500 SHGs. Total fund allocated is Rs.75.00 Cr.
- 99. More 1,14,630 women have been identified as potential Lakhpati Didi and through various interventions, the income level of potential Lakhpati Didi's will be enhanced so that they

can progress and will be able to become Lakhpati Didis.

# RD (Panchayat)

- 100. This is for the first time in the history of Tripura that the RD (Panchayat) Department has achieved a significant milestone by securing highest number of awards i.e. 7 (Seven) Awards competing with around 2.5 lakhs Rural Local Bodies in the country in different categories under National Panchayat Awards-2024. The awards reflect the excellence in local governance and community development in our State and State Government's commitment to rural development.
- 101. During 2024-25, a total of 10,443 participants (Elected Representative and Functionaries) have been trained. For strengthening the PRI system, partnerships have been made with different academic institutions such as National Law University (NLU), Tripura, Kerala Institute of Local Administration and SIPARD. Under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), 37(thirty seven) Panchayat Bhawans have been constructed and 21(twenty one) are going on. Construction works of 2(two) DPRCs are going on at North Tripura and Khowai District. A total of 58(fifty eight) Block Panchayat Resource Centres are being upgraded across the State. A total of 8(eight) RLBs have been selected for upgradation as Panchayat Learning Centre. 475 computers are being distributed to 475 Panchayats.
- 102. A revamped web-based application portal namely 'Amar Sarkar'was launched for speedy and effective redress of various development and basic services related issues. Since inception more than 60,000 issues have been raised out of which 98 percent issues got resolved.
- 103. A MoU have been signed with SIPARD for conducting Training Needs Analysis and evaluation of Capacity Building Programme of Public Representative of PRIs. During the FY 2024-25, another initiative has been taken to tie up with National Law University to initiate certification courses at the State Level Panchayat Raj Training Institutes and to extend necessary support and guidance to the RLBs in preparing the Annual Action Plan.
- 104. Panchayat Raj Training Institute is getting renovated and an amount of Rs.14.05 Cr will be spent for the same.
- 105. I propose to construct District Panchayat Resource Centre involving Rs.2 (two) Cr in West Tripura District under RGSA in 2025-26. 27 (twenty seven) Panchayat Learning

Centres will be developed in 27 (twenty seven) Panchayats and 61(sixty one) Panchayat Bhawans will be constructed. An amount of Rs. 22.02 Cr is allocated for the same.

106. I propose to provide new vehicles to the offices of all Sabhadhipaties in 2025-26.

# **PWD (Drinking Water)**

- 107. Providing safe drinking water is priority of Central and State Government. State Government is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission with utmost sincerity. Prior to implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission, only 24502 (3.30 percent) rural households were provided with individual household tap connections. After the launch of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in 2019, a total 6,16,122 (82.06 percent) rural households in the State have been provided with Functional Household Tap connections (FHTC). State Government has spent Rs. 3221.11 Cr under JJM in last 5(five) years.
- 108. During 2025-26, the State Government has planned to cover all balance rural households in the state through construction of 568 Deep Tube Well (DTW) schemes, 1114 Small Bore Deep Tube Well (SBDTW) schemes, 284 innovative schemes and commissioning of 3(three) Surface Water Treatment Plants.

## Sanitation, Cleanliness and Assets Maintenance

- 109. The Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM-G], launched in 2014, has transformed rural India by making villages Open Defecation Free (ODF). The mission now focuses on ODF Plus initiatives, emphasizing Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) through community participation, technology, and convergence with other schemes.
- 110. During 2024-25, Tripura constructed 25,666 Individual Household Latrines (IHHL) and 170 Community Sanitary Complexes (CSCs).
- 111. To enhance waste management, 2,626 Community Compost Pits, 612 Segregation Sheds, and 668 waste transportation vehicles were introduced, along with 3(three) rural Plastic Waste Management (PWM) units. Additionally, 1,603 community soak pits/ leach pits/ magic pits and 594 drainage channels were built for greywater management.

112. During 2025-26, the plan includes 25,930 IHHLs, 331 CSCs, 293 Segregation Sheds, 493 waste transport vehicles, 15 PWM units, 12,194 community soak pits/leach pits/magic pits, 3,573 drains, and 15 rural Faecal Sludge Treatment Plants (FSTPs). A budget provision of Rs. 148.68 Cr is allocated for the same.

#### **Forest**

- 113. State Government has been implementing 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam Campaign', launched by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India. Under the campaign, 34.25133 lakh seedlings have been planted in the State by the Tripura Forest Department with involvement of all the stakeholders.
- 114. On 5th July, 2024, the department successfully conducted a Mass Planting Programme wherein about 6,21,581 saplings were planted in 5(five) minutes between 10 AM to 10.05 AM throughout the state with active participation of various Government and Non-Government agencies, CAPF's, Tripura Police, JFMC/EDC/BMC members and also people in general.
- 115. During 2024-25, total 9,856 Ha area has been brought under plantation for maintaining ecological balance and afforestation. Besides, this road side plantation has been done over a stretch of 313 Km and river bank plantation has been done over 24(twenty four) Km.
- 116. Under the JICA Project (SCATFORM) 10,000 Ha of degraded forest lands were successfully restored, enhancing biodiversity and combating climate change. Skill development initiative empowered local youth and women, enabling over 5,000 beneficiaries to engage in incomegenerating activities such as bamboo handicrafts, fishery, piggery, bakery, pickle making, candle making, dry fish making, eco-tourism etc.
- 117. The German KFW funded externally aided project for Climate Resilience of Forests Landscapes in Tripura (CREFLAT) popularly known as Tripura IGDC II Project is implemented in 129 villages under the 8(eight) developmental blocks (Ambassa, Selama, Durga Chowmuhani, Manu, Chamanu, Gandacherra, Raishiyabari, Ganganagar) in Dhalai and 3(three) developmental blocks (Jampui Hill, Dasda, Damcherra) in North Tripura. The total project cost is 32.90 million Euros equivalent to Rs.253.20 Cr. The overall beneficial impact will be on about 1,30,000 climate vulnerable people (26,000 household of which

- about 60 percent are scheduled tribes). Since, beginning of the project in 2020-21, 3228.30 Ha of plantation has been carried out.
- 118. World Bank aided new project namely 'Enhancing Landscape and Eco System Management (ELEMENT)' project is in the pipeline for implementation by the Forest Department. The project has been approved for funding by the World Bank and will be implemented covering 821 villages of Tripura. The total project cost is Rs.1763 Cr and this would benefit majorly the Forest Dependent population of the State who have not been covered under JICA or IGDC Project.
- 119. During 2025-26, the Department plans to develop IT infrastructure where State of the art equipment will be used to monitor and implement various forestry activities with real time data. This up-gradation would enhance conservation efforts of State's natural resources.

# **Information Technology**

- 120. Our State has become the first North-Eastern State to sign a MoU with the Digital India BHASHINI Division (DIBD). The milestone was marked by the State Level Workshop 'Bhashini Rajyam' at Pragna Bhaban. The workshop brought together government officials, departments and educational institutions to promote digital and linguistic empowerment in the region. Tripura State Data Centre (TSDC) was established in December, 2010. For augmentation of the TSDC with upgraded computer and storage capacity, coupled with a robust cyber security framework, State Government has sanctioned project of Rs.65.40 Cr for 5 years project period to enhance both the IT and Security infrastructure. This will enhance data management, strengthen security, streamline operations across Government departments, and ensure the delivery of efficient, secure and seamless digital services to the citizens of the State, fostering improved governance and satisfaction.
- 121. To create a vibrant Startup ecosystem in the State, fostering IT/ITeS, e-commerce, handloom, handicrafts, horticulture, agriculture and food processing, construction, healthcare, fisheries and logistics sectors etc, the State Government has launched new sector agnostic Tripura Start-up Policy on January 24, 2025 to boost innovation, attract investments, and create employment opportunities for local graduates.

- 122. Key incentives under this policy include Tri-Seed Funding, offering a one-time grant of Rs. 2 lakh for recognized startups, operational cost reimbursement of Rs. 20,000 per month (with additional benefits for women and differently-abled entrepreneurs), and financial assistance of up to Rs.10 lakh for startups in the prototype development stage. The policy also includes marketing and publicity assistance of up to Rs. 5 lakh, GST reimbursement, and patent filing reimbursement (Rs. 2 lakh for domestic patents and Rs. 10 lakh for international patents). An allocation of Rs. 6 Cr is kept for the same for the financial year 2025-26.
- 123. To strengthen incubation support, the New Generation Innovation Network (NGIN) will provide grants of Rs. 10 lakh for setting up incubation centres and Rs. 5 lakh per year for operational costs.
- 124. Additionally, Rs. 25 Cr Tri-Infra Fund will be established to develop startup infrastructure, while the Tripura Venture Capital Fund will offer funding between Rs. 25 lakh and Rs. 2 Cr to high-potential startups. These strategic initiatives are expected to position Tripura as a leading hub for startups, driving economic growth and fostering innovation in the region. An amount of Rs. 47 Cr will be spent during next 5 (five) years.
- 125. The Government of Tripura is making a transformative move to promote entrepreneurship and innovation by establishing the Incubation & Innovation Park for startups across all sectors in Tripura. This visionary initiative seeks to harness the State's rich talent pool, with approximately, 16,500 of students graduating annually from local universities and technical institutes, by addressing critical challenges faced by start-ups in research, development, and marketing. Envisioned as a central hub, the Park will provide holistic support to both IT and non-IT start-ups, offering resources such as advanced technology development tools and market linkages etc. The Incubation & Innovation Park is set to feature State-of-the-art facilities, including co-working spaces, laboratory infrastructure, and tailored mentorship programs, designed to nurture early-stage ventures. The estimated cost for setting Incubation & Innovation Park is Rs. 108.90 Cr. This will be implemented with the funding support from the Ministry of DoNER. The Incubation & Innovation Park aspires to become a cornerstone of entrepreneurial success, positioning Tripura as a leading destination for innovation and start-up growth.

- 126. The State Government of Tripura has taken up significant strides towards enhancing digital infrastructure in our education and healthcare sectors. Building upon the successful implementation of secured Wi-Fi networks in 30(thirty) Government Degree Colleges, which has provided free internet access to students and staff, we are now extending this initiative to all schools and hospitals across the state. The objective of this project is to bridge the digital divide and improve access to education and healthcare services through internet connectivity. The estimated total cost for provisioning internet connectivity in all schools and hospitals across Tripura is Rs. 18.17 Cr. This initiative will ensure equitable access to internet services, fostering improved educational outcomes and better healthcare delivery in every part of our State.
- 127. During 2025-26, I propose to set up 'Centre for Computer Based Examinations' at Hapania International Fair Ground for computer-based online examinations, so that aspirants do not need to travel outside the state for appearing in online examinations. A budget provision of Rs.15 Cr has been kept for the same for the year 2025-26.

# Home (Police)

- 128. Tripura Police have been able to achieve commendable success in controlling general crime under Dacoity, Burglary, Robbery, Murder, Rioting and Crime against Women.
- 129. State Government has conducted various training programmes on new criminal laws to the officers for ensuring effective implementation under Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Bharatiya Sakshya Sanhita, 2023 and Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.
- 130. Our Government has created post of the Director, Prosecution and Deputy Director for 7(seven) other districts under Directorate of Prosecution and further 70(seventy) different posts were created for offices of Deputy Directors to strengthen the prosecution process.
- 131. For scientific crime investigation, 5(five) well equipped Mobile Forensic Vehicles have been procured. State Forensic Science Laboratory has been strengthened by procuring hitech equipment's. With the advancement of technology, it is observed that new age crimes are reported in the society and in order to handle new age crimes, State Government is

- going to set up new age crime units to handle social media crimes, hate crimes, cryptocurrency crimes, human trafficking, voice analysis etc.
- 132. Our Government took initiatives to improve infrastructure of different police stations so that officers and staff entrusted with law and order duties can work under congenial atmosphere.
- 133. During 2025-26, new buildings are to be constructed for West Agartala Police Station, East Agartala Police Station, Belonia Police Station, Baikhora Police Station, Bagbassa Police Station and Madhupur Police Station. Apart from this, quarters will be constructed at Dharmanagar Police Station.

## Home (Jail)

Respected Speaker Sir,

- 134. State Government has launched the eMulakat programme in July 2024, enabling inmates to connect with their families via video conferencing to strengthen family support.
- 135. A Telemedicine System was fully operationalized in August 2024 to provide timely medical consultation to the inmates of Kendriya Sansodhanagar.
- 136. During 2025-26, I propose to construct a new Sub-Jail in West Tripura with an estimated cost of Rs.20 Cr. A model district Jail will be constructed at Ambassa, Dhalai district. An amount of Rs.10 (ten) Cr is allocated initially for the same.

# Fire and Emergency Services

- 137. The construction of permanent buildings of 5 (five) fire stations at Manubazar, Damcherra, Ompi, Raishyabari and Chawmanu has been completed. 53 Water Tenders has been procured by spending Rs. 23.98 Cr and 20 light Operational Vehicles for attending Special Calls has been procured by spending Rs. 2.75 Cr.
- 138. Construction of 4(four) new Fire Stations is being done at Jirania, Manubankul, Ganganagar and Boxanagar.
- 139. Fire Service Training Centre located at Badharghat will be upgraded. An amount of Rs.2.18 Cr will be spent.

140. During 2025-26, new buildings will be constructed for Ranirbazar Fire Station, Hrishyamukh Fire Station, Karbook Fire Station, Killa Fire Station, Chailengta Fire Station, Fatikroy (Kanchanbari) Fire Station, Takarjala Fire Station, Pecharthal Fire Station and Teliamura Fire Station. Reconstruction work of Amarpur, Dharmanagar, Udaipur Fire Station and Divisional Fire Office, Gomati at Udaipur will be taken up.

#### Revenue

- 141. A key reform of the State Government in the field of land reforms was the introduction of Unique Land Parcel and Identification Number (ULPIN), a 14 digit alphanumeric code to 25.64 lakh land parcels ensuring accurate land tracking and seamless transactions. For this initiative Directorate of Land records and Settlement has received Chief Minister's Civil Service Awards on Tripura Statehood Day on 21st January, 2025.
- 142. State Government has introduced online property registration and appointment booking for Registration under National Generic Document Registration System (NGDRS), reducing physical visits and paper work. Citizens can now view transaction history of plots (RoR) through the Jami Pariseva Portal, promoting transparency and dispute resolution. Additionally, auto-triggering of registration details into the Land Records Portal has been implemented.
- 143. During 2024-25, the State Government has conducted Drone Survey of 400 Sq. km. of land under Udaipur Sub-Division for updating existing Revenue Maps in collaboration with the Survey of India under 'SVAMITVA' Scheme.
- 144. New initiative is being taken for Aadhaar Seeding & Authentication with land Records and Registration in current financial year. This initiative will be promoting transparency and dispute resolution.
- 145. Our Government tries to ensure to extend administrative services to the common people, for which strengthening of existing revenue infrastructures are felt essential and crucial.
- 146. State Government has decided to take up construction of various administrative buildings/complexes for strengthening of Revenue Administration within an estimated cost Rs. 193.10 Cr. As such, construction of 4 (four) DM's Office Buildings at North, South, Unakoti & Gomati District, 5 (five) SDM's Office Buildings at Sonamura, Kumarghat, Kailashahar,

- Sabroom & Udaipur, 10 (ten) Residential Quarters for ADM & Collectors & ADM & Collectors (PP), 10 (ten) Residential Quarters for Sub-Divisional Magistrates and Construction of new 80 (eighty) Tehsil Offices under various schemes are being constructed.
- 147. During 2024-25, construction of 3 (three) SDM's Office Building at Ambassa, Sadar and BishalgarhSub-Divisions, 2 (two) Circuit Houses at Sepahijala and Khowai District and Construction of Guest House cum Officers Training Centre at West Tripura District, Construction of 172 units of Residential Quarters for ADM/SDM/DCM/ Staff have been taken up under Major Works with financial involvement of Rs. 140.73 Cr.
- 148. During 2025-26, various projects such as, Construction of 5 (five) District Administrative Training Centre, Infrastructure Development for e-Office in respect of 48 Revenue Circles & 224 Tehsil Offices, Establishment of a Cyber Security Tehsil, development of Alternate and Emergency Communication System by using HAM Radio and Satellite networks, Construction of one Multipurpose Disaster Resistant Shelter, Installation of Automated Weather Stations at 240 locations etc. will be taken up and implemented in phased manner.

# Science, Technology & Environment

- 149. National Science Day 2024 was observed throughout the state on February 28, 2024 on the theme 'Indigenous Technologies for Vikshit Bharat' emphasizing the importance of homegrown innovations in India's scientific progress.
- 150. School Science Drama Competition 2024 was organized on the theme 'Science & Technology for the benefit of mankind' at District and State level involving 150 schools.
- 151. Junior Mathematical Olympiad 2024 for school students of the class VIII organized on November 10, 2024 at all the 23 Sub-Divisions of Tripura. More than 5000 students of Tripura participated in this Olympiad.
- 152. 7th Students Project Programme was organized on June 27-28, 2024 at Pragna Bhawan, Gurkhabasti on the theme 'Science and Technology for National Development'. More than 400 Students and Faculties participated from 21 Institutes of Higher & Technical Education of Tripura.

- 153. Skill development training programme was imparted on making of incense sticks, fragrant cones and dhoop utilizing the waste flowers and floral parts and making bio compost using organic wastes organized at Udaipur Science Centre. In total 105 women got training from 3 (three) Blocks viz. Tepania, Matabari and Amarpur Blocks of Tripura.
- 154. Modernization of Sukanta Academy is under progress by renovating science galleries and creating an eco-friendly garden. An amount of Rs.6 Cr will be spent for the same. Out of that, Rs.3 Cr will be borne by the State Government and Rs.3 Cr has been sanctioned by the Government of India.
- 155. Tripura Space Applications Centre (TSAC) is executing various projects for Central and State Departments in fields like agriculture, urban planning and disaster management. Key initiatives include HGM maps at 1:10000 scale and GIS-based HVRA for 8(eight) Urban Local Bodies in Tripura. New building will be constructed for Tripura Space Applications Centre with financial involvement of Rs.5 Cr.
- 156. 172 Higher Secondary Schools of Tripura have been brought under DNA Club covering more than 17,000 students of the State. 4 (four) Mushroom Hamlets have been established.
- 157. Plant orchard has been established at Barabhaiya Orchard under Bagma in order to ex-situ conservation of available plant genetic resources of the State along with couple of vermicompost unit etc.
- 158. 6 (six) Bio villages are being established at different district of Tripura during the Financial Year 2024-25. During the Financial Year 2024-25, 3 (three) College Bio-tech Clubs have been set up. The concept of Bio Village 2.0 aims to enhance socio economy and restoration of ecology directly with the combination of renewable and other ecofriendly non-renewable applications.
- 159. The Tripura State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) introduced Online Consent Management and Monitoring System (OCMMS) to ensure transparency in the process of issuance of Consent to Establish Certificate/Consent to Operate Certificate as well as Authorisation under the various Waste Management Rules. TSPCB has setup one real-time Continuous Noise Monitoring Station at Battala and displaying real time noise quality through Display Boards located at Battala and Sukanta Academy.

- 160. Training will be imparted to school students through Global skill curriculum in Science, Technology and Innovation Sector. Entrepreneurship Training will be imparted on Scientific Bee Keeping and Management and processing and value addition of selected horticultural crops. A Help Desk of Tripura State Pollution Control Board will be established at TTAADC, Head Quarter, Khumulwng.
- 161. During 2025-26, 50 (fifty) DNA Clubs, 4(four) Mushroom Hamlets, 6(six) Bio villages and 4(four) College Bio-tech Clubs will be set up.
- 162. I propose to establish 5(five) new Air Quality Monitoring Station at Khumulwng, Ambassa, Dharmanagar, Kailashahar and Kumarghat under the National Air Monitoring Programme.
- 163. The Tripura State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) will establish Zonal Offices and Laboratory at Kumarghat and Udaipur. An amount of Rs. 10(ten) Cr will be spent for the same.

#### **Industries & Commerce**

- 164. The State Government has been honoured with the prestigious Top Achiever Award under 3(three) categories for implementing Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP)-2022 reforms at the Udyog Samagam 2024 event held on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.
- 165. For overall development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), Government of India, Ministry of MSME has sanctioned a project of RAMP (Raising & Accelerating MSME Performance) at a total cost of Rs. 65.17 Cr to be formally implemented in next 3(three) years. The launching of RAMP Programme in Tripura was held on 01.10.2024 to sensitize and create awareness of the project.
- 166. The first PM Vishwakarma State Level Exhibition cum Trade Fair involving the traditional artisans was organized from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2024. The State's performance has been appreciated by the Hon'ble Union Minister, MSME during the event. The state has received more than 53,600 applications, out of which 7,523 applicants have completed the basic training. A total of 2,399 loan applications has been sanctioned out of which 1,822 loans are disbursed already.

- 167. Investment Promotion Agency of Tripura (IPAT) constituted and notified on 27.06.2024 as the sole point of contact for the purpose of setting up a business and for promotion of investments in Tripura and to inter alia carry out the objectives of implementation of various policies declared from time to time, for development of industries in the State.
- 168. Tripura Rubber Conclave, 2024 was organized by Department of Industries & Commerce with CII at Agartala on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2024 to attract private investment in rubber value addition.
- 169. Foundation stone of state's first 'Tea Auction Centre' has been laid on 14.03.2024. Once completed, this will be third tea auction centre in North-East India. The Tripura Tea Development Corporation Ltd. (TTDC) for the first time sold finished tea at an average price of Rs.213 per kg at auction markets which is the highest ever price earned by the corporation. This is a big achievement not only for TTDC but also for hundreds of small tea growers of the state who supply tea leaves to the TTDC.
- 170. An investor friendly Industrial LandAllotment Policy-2024 has been introduced; Lease Premium/Rent Refund Policy has been introduced by TIDC to recover unused allotted land parcels incentivizing time based spontaneous surrender of allotment of industrial land/sheds; TIDCL Building Guidelines-2024 has been introduced to increase productive use of land and enhance job opportunities without compromising structural safety of buildings.
- 171. The State Government with the financial help from Asian Development Bank (ADB) is going to take up infrastructure development in 9(nine) Industrial Estates, covering roads, drainage, power distribution, water supply, waste management, social infrastructure, and security measures. The total loan amount under this Externally Aided Project is Rs. 740 Cr (Approximately).
- 172. Additionally, projects for site development and internal infrastructure at Nagicherra, Jalefa, and Santirbazar Industrial Estates are proposed for development under the Special Assistance to the states for Capital Investment.
- 173. The State is actively identifying land for industrial expansion to attract private investment. A second Rubber Park is planned in Santirbazar over 127.09 acres, and 3(three) vacant land parcels totalling 268.67 acres in Khowai district have been identified for industrial development. For carrying out preliminary work for setting up of these Industrial Estates, an amount of Rs.15 (fifteen) Cr is provisioned in the budget.

- 174. In response to growing investor demand, it is proposed to expand the area of Bodhjungnagar and RK Nagar Industrial Estates by land acquisition. Suitable Government as well as private land has been identified nearby these industrial growth centres. For this purpose, Tripura Industrial Development Corporation has started preparatory activities. A budget provision of Rs. 10(ten) Cr has been kept for the same.
- 175. Tripura Industrial Investment Policy (TIIP) 2024 has been notified on 07.10.2024. The Policy aims at development of manufacturing and service sector with identified thrust sectors and emphasis on sustainable development. To attract more investment in the state, certain provisions of Tripura Industrial Investment Promotion Incentive Scheme (TIIPIS) 2022 are amended in January, 2025.
- 176. The Department in collaboration with TATA Technologies Limited (TTL) is upgrading 19 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) to align with industry 4.0 Standards, bridging skills gaps in emerging technologies and enhancing employability.

## **Skill Development**

- 177. In October 2024, the State Government unveiled the Tripura Skill and Entrepreneurship Policy 2024. The policy aims to transform Tripura into a skill development hub for the North-East region by adopting a life cycle approach to skill development. It emphasizes inclusivity, particularly focusing on women, individual with disabilities and indigenous population. The policy outlines strategies for aligning skill development initiatives within industry demands, promoting entrepreneurship and ensuring quality training through accreditation and certification.
- 178. The State Government launched the 'Skill Uday Tongnai 2025' initiatives under 'Mukhyamantri Dakhyata Unnayan Prakalpa'. This program offers free job training to empower the youth of Tripura by equipping them with the necessary skills to enhance employability and meet industry requirement.
- 179. During 2025-26, State Government will try to introduce new courses in emerging sectors like Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Cyber Security, Renewable Energy and Agri-tech. State Government will also try to strengthen collaboration with Private Industries, MSMEs and Multi-National Companies to ensure job-oriented training.

Special courses will be started in solar energy installation, electric vehicle maintenance and sustainable agriculture. Collaboration will be made with leading industrial bodies like CII, FICCI and NASSCOM to bridge the skill gap.

## **Information & Cultural Affairs**

- 180. Our Government continued its endeavor to revive, nourish, develop and promote the rich cultural heritage of different ethnic groups of the States and to disseminate information about the initiatives taken by the State Government.
- 181. To boost cultural promotion and to promote fraternity with the citizens of other States of our country, the State Government sent cultural troupes to Assam, Rajasthan, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and New Delhi. The State Government is also taking necessary steps to sign a MoU with the Government of Uttar Pradesh for cultural exchanges. To nurture skill and talent for empowering youth using modern technology experiences Tripura Film & Television Institute is offering courses in collaboration with Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute.
- 182. The Department is disseminating information on policies and initiatives in a regular manner through press release, briefing, departmental monthly magazine, through advertisement in various media, sharing audio-video content through social media platform and departmental LED screens across the State.
- 183. I am happy to inform this August house that, our States's tableau titled 'Eternal Reverence: the worship of 14(fourteen) deities in Tripura-Kharchi Puja', participated in Republic Day Parade 2025 and awarded second prize. This recognition highlights our State's rich cultural traditions and State Governments effort's in showcasing the State's heritage on National platform. During observance of Statehood Day on 21st January 2025, 'State Civil Awards' and 'Statehood Day Awards' have been conferred to different personalities of our States for their outstanding contribution in different fields. In 2025, for the first time State adopted Logo/Emblem symbolizing Tripura's aspirations and cultural identity.

## **Tourism**

184. The state has tremendous prospect to improve its economy by developing its tourism sector.

In order to augment and improve accommodation facilities for the tourists in Natural Eco-friendly destinations, 10 (ten) Log Hutshave been constructed at Chabimura, which will be commissioned very soon. So far, 51(fifty one) Log Huts at different tourist destinations have been constructed.

- 185. Tourist facilities have been constructed at Surmacherra, Kamalpurand it was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tripura during September 2024. Tourist facilities have also been constructed at Neermahal, Melaghar in October 2024.
- 186. Laser and Light Show created at Krishnasagar Dighi, Agartala and made functional in November 2024. A light and Sound show has also been made functional at Neermahal Water Palace in December 2024. Development works of Mata Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur is nearing completion.
- 187. Alpana Gram of Lankamura located in the vicinity of Agartala has been selected as one of the best tourism villages in the community-based tourism categories under Tourism Village Competition -2024 and felicitated by Ministry of Tourism, Government of India on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.
- 188. Replica of 51 Shakti Preetha's will be set up at Banduar, Udaipur under funding support from Ministry of Finance, Government of India. An amount of Rs. 97.68 Cr has been sanctioned for the same.
- 189. I am happy to inform this August house that Water Sports activities have got introduced in the Jagannath Dighi w.e.f. 01.01.2025. Various water sports activities like Jet Ski, Kayaking, water roller, paddle boats and Shikara boat have been made available as a whole day activities for visiting tourist of Ujjayanta Palace.
- 190. The work of beautification of Mahadev Dighi has been taken up. After completion of the works, various water sports activities akin to Jagannath Dighi will be started.

## **Transport**

191. The transport sector of the State has been witnessing a drastic change over last few years. I am happy to inform this August house that the Ministry of Railways has recently introduced 2(two) pairs of train from Dharmanagar to Sabroom and back. Moreover, a new train has also been sanctioned from Sabroom to Agartala route. Work is in progress for redevelopment

- of 4 (four) railway stations under Amrit Bharat Scheme by Ministry of Railway, Government of India. These railway stations are Agartala, Udaipur, Kumarghat and Dharmanagar. An amount of Rs. 144.60 Cr has been sanctioned for this purpose.
- 192. During current financial year, 37 women drivers have been imparted driving training at IDTR (Institute of Driving Training and Research), Jirania for empowering and encouraging women in public transport sector.
- 193. Tripura faces major challenges with road safety and drug addiction specially among youths. To tackle this, the Transport Department along with FCS & CA and higher education department launches the 'Jagriti Abhiyaan'. This initiative aims to raise awareness about road safety and drug abuses among the youths. Through this programme over 5,400 college students have been covered.
- 194. On the canvas of Airways, many new flights have got added for service from Maharaja Bir Bikram International Airport. Instrument Landing System (ILS) has been introduced at Maharaja Bir Bikram International Airport for smooth landing and taking off flight during bad weather. Moreover, Domestic Cargo Services has been started functioning by all Airlines.
- 195. State Government has introduced Pre-paid Taxi service at Airport for convenience of passengers. I am happy to inform that MBB Airport has been recognized as the best airport in the North-Eastern region in the year 2024 under Customer Satisfaction Survey. I am also happy to announce that the MBB Airport is upgraded from Grade III category to Grade II category airport in the month of January 2025 by the Airport Authority of India. New terminal building of the airport has been rated as 4 (four) Star category building by GRIHA (Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment) Council.
- 196. State Government has developed an online portal named 'Anumodan Portal' as a Single Window Driver Authorization Generation Portal to facilitate vehicle owners to generate Drivers Authorization. This portal enabled vehicle owners to issue authorization letter to the drivers from Home/CSC/Mobile Phone without having to approach Notary Public or Magistrate.
- 197. Construction work of motor stands at Jirania, Gandatwisa, Melaghar, Jolaibari has been taken up during 2024-25. Apart from these, construction of District Transport Offices at Kailashahar, Teliamura, Bishramganj and Santirbazar has also been taken up. Motor stand

- along with night shelter will be constructed at Manughat, Dhalai.
- 198. During 2025-26, I propose to take up construction of new motor stands at Mohanpur, Kalyanpur, Bishalgarh, Manughat and Jatanbari. An allocation of Rs. 10(ten) Cr is initially kept for the same for the year 2025-26.

# **PWD (Roads & Bridges)**

- 199. To enhance connectivity, Government aims to upgrade all Sub-Divisional Headquarters with double-lane standard roads. The department has prioritized 9(nine) State Highways for upgradation to double-lane roads with paved shoulders, covering a total length of 383 Km. These highways have been identified for urgent development due to their strategic importance in connecting key trade centres, tourist destinations, tribal regions, and border areas.
- 200. During 2024-25, it is targeted to complete 8(eight) RCC bridges, including improvement of 250 Km roadand maintenance of 1450 Kmroad. Out of which, till February 2025, 4 (four) RCC bridges completed and improvement of road for a length of 180 Km have been completed so far. Maintenance work of road for a length of 1,536 Km has been completed.
- 201. During 2024-25, it was announced to develop 30 Km road in each Assembly Constituency. Accordingly, the Public Works Department has taken up massive road infrastructure works covering all the 60 Assembly Constituencies for construction, upgradation and improvements under various Schemes.
- 202. During 2025-26, I propose to construct multiple flyover projects in Agartala and Udaipur to enhance urban mobility and alleviate traffic congestion. In first phase, 2(two) flyovers shall be taken up. 2.17 Km flyover from Radha Nagar to IGM Hospital having 8.5 m width is planned at Agartala with an estimated cost of Rs. 492 Crore. 1.60 Km length of flyover from Jaganath Chowmuhani to Khilpara is planned at Udaipur with an estimated cost of Rs. 355 Cr.
- 203. During 2025-26, construction of 5(five) RCC bridges will be completed. 285 Km road will be improved and maintenance of 1750 Km road will be taken up. In order to

organize large scale meetings, seminars, conferences, investment summits at State and Regional level, I also proposeto establish a Convention Centre at suitable location with large size meeting hall of 5,000 persons capacity.

# **PWD (Water Resources)**

- 204. During 2024-25, 51 irrigation projects have been commissioned and total area brought under irrigation is 758 hectare.
- 205. During 2025-26, State Government is going to construct 213 Deep Tube Well minor irrigation scheme covering all the districts of Tripura. An amount of Rs.109.10 Cr will be spent for the same. Moreover, 4 (four) Rainwater Harvesting Structures will be constructed in 2(two) districts. An amount of Rs. 65.98 Cr will be spent for the same. State Government will also install 2,115 Standalone Off-Grid Solar Agricultural Pump sets under component B of PM-KUSUM scheme in 8(eight) districts of Tripura.

#### **Power**

- 206. State is implementing the Flagship Scheme of Government of India namely Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) with the total approved outlays of Rs. 803 Cr and with the implementation of this scheme, new infrastructure will be created which will greatly improve the Operational and Financial Viability of the Distribution Sector consequent upon reductions in Technical & Commercial Losses and Improvement in Billing System with installation of Smart Meters. Projects, which are under execution under the given scheme, have achieved the progress of more than 50 percent of the total works awarded.
- 207. For making the Generation & Distribution Sectors more efficient, the state has availed the funding sanctions from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for implementation of Tripura Power Distribution Strengthening and Generation Efficiency Project with a total outlay of around Rs. 2275 Cr. In case of Power Distribution Strengthening Project, the work executions are under way and around 70 percent of those works have already been completed.
- 208. In order to develop the Robust and Efficient Power Transmission Network, the State is implementing the project funded through World Bank with a huge investment of around

- Rs. 1800 Cr under the project namely 'North Eastern Regional Power System Improvement Project (NERPSIP)'. This project is almost at the final stages of completion and likely to be put to use shortly enabling the State to get the benefits of new Power Transmission Network with minimum Transmission Losses.
- 209. The State is fully aware of the hardship of the people who have not got the Electricity Connections in their houses and in order to remove their hardships, State Government has taken initiatives to provide electricity to those houses which remain un-electrified since the past periods. With State Government initiatives, around 24,600 houses are targeted for electrification in all the Districts of the State and with further Government of India initiatives under PM-JANMAN Scheme, more than 11,692 houses were electrified in the category of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) Households. All the works have been completed under PM-JANMAN Scheme and electricity connections are provided to the residents of such houses making the lives of those residents more comfortable.

## **Renewable Energy**

- 210. Renewable Energy has become one of the most important factors to preserve the pristine environment and the planet's sources for the future. It has already changed the Life-style of the people who are residing at far flung areas and conventional energy has not reach till now. We all know that the initiatives taken by the state government in renewable energy sector have also been appreciated by our beloved Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Bhai Modiji.
- 211. State Government implemented Gramin Bazar Alok Jyoti Prakolpo, Solar Micro Grids, Solar Street Lights, Solar High Masts, Solar off grid and Grid tied Power plant, Bio Gas plant etc. in rural, urban areas and Government establishments throughout the state.
- 212. State Government has taken an extensive initiative for installation of 26 MW various Renewable Energy Projects and has committed to the RE installation of 813.50 MW by 2030 to increase the percentage of renewable energy in overall energy mix.
- 213. The State is also implementing a new scheme called PM SURYA GHAR MUFT BIJLI YOJANA which is related to installation of Roof Top Solar Panels at residential households with bidirectional facility. This is being implemented throughout the State

- and as of now, a total of 12,726 consumers have been registered, 3,238 applications have been received out of which installation of Solar Panels done for 162 consumers with a capacity of 562 KWP. This scheme is valid till FY 2026-27 and the major work will be taken up during 2025-26.
- 214. Under PM-SURYA GHAR MUFT BIJLI YOJANA, subsidy is given upto Rs.85,800/- for installation of Roof Top Grid connected solar power plant at houses of the individuals. Under this, any households will be able to save energy bills upto a substantial level.
- 215. Under PM-DevINE Scheme, State Government has identified interior and hilly hamlets/ habitations for electrification through installation of Solar Micro-Grid Power Plants to provide almost free of cost un-interrupted power supply to the families residing in those areas. Total 274 clusters having 9,253 families are being benefitted through this project which has resulted in economic growth, business activities, improving health care and education etc.An amount of Rs. 81.02 Cr will be spent on this. Under PM-DevINE and State Government Scheme, 132 habitations have been covered so far by installing Solar Micro Grid Power Plant.
- 216. Under PM-KUSUM Scheme, the State Government is implementing the Solar Pumps to the individual farmers for irrigation has resulted in their double cropping and double income. So far 4,332 solar pumps have been installed in various Block areas throughout the state and installation of another 4,000 solar pumps is under progress. In this Scheme the existing grid connected pumps are also being solarized with an aim to provide free power to the farmers for agricultural use. On the other hand, the scheme will promote to shift the burden of unpaid electricity bill from TSECL. An amount of Rs. 105 Cr will be spent for this purpose. There is a provision in the Scheme that the farmer can set up the solar power plant in their vacant/uncultivated land and earn substantial money by selling generated solar power to the DISCOM.
- 217. 250 Solar High Mast will be installed at different locations of Tripura. State Government will try to connect all drinking water pumps with solar energy sources.
- 218. Arenewable energy service centre will be established at Agartala with financial involvement of Rs. 25 Cr. All Block offices will be connected with solar energy sources.

## **Urban Development**

- 219. Our State emerged as a champion in achieving goal of 'Housing for All' and as a result, the performance of the state was appreciated and recognized by the Government through various PMAY (U) Awards. Since inception of PMAY (U), construction of 70,172 houses has been completed. Out of that construction of 4,267 houses have been completed during 2024-25.
- 220. Under Swachh Bharat Mission(Urban) 23,823 Individual Household Latrines (IHHL) and 1,295 Community and Public Toilet seats have been constructed across 20 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). 13 Legacy Dump Sites were identified and remediated in 13 ULBs. 16 Solid Waste Processing Facilities have been operationalized. Total fund to the tune of Rs. 282.58 Cr. has been ring fenced by State Government and released for various Solid and Liquid Waste Management Projects, which are in various stage of construction. Sewage Treatment Plants are under construction for cleaning grey water in Katakhal and Kalapania Khal in Agartala and drains in all ULBs. State Government is equally concerned about health of sanitation workers engaged under different ULBs and regular health camps and distribution of safety toolkits are being done from time to time.
- 221. Projects such as Improvement of Road from Fire Brigade Chowmuhani to ICP, Construction of Akhaura Khal and Four Lane Road with a cost of Rs. 55 Cr, Renovation and Reconstruction of Ujjayanta Palace Garden and surrounding areas, Musical fountain with laser light show with a cost of Rs.37.59 Cr and 8 MLD Sewerage Treatment Plant at ICP Akhaura with a cost of Rs.25.86 Cr have been completed.
- 222. During 2025-26, major projects like improvement and widening of Airport Road from 2(two) lane to 4(four) lane with a cost of Rs. 96 Cr; Development of MBB College Lake as tourist destination with a cost of Rs. 36 Cr and Howrah River Front Development Project with financial involvement of Rs. 99 Cr will be completed.
- 223. Tripura Urban and Tourism Development Project (TUTDP) is under implementation with the funding support from Asian Development Bank. Massive development works in the field of water supply, construction of road, making drainage system and other infrastructures are being taken up in 12 (twelve) different Urban Local Bodies such as Khowai, Mohanpur, Ranir Bazar, Bishramganj, Melagarh, Belonia, Dharmanagar, Kailashahar, Kumarghat,

- Udaipur, Amarpur and Ambassa. At present, projects worth Rs. 330.16 Cr are under construction and will be completed within next 2 (two) years.
- 224. I am happy to inform that our Government has notified 'Affordable Housing Policy' with the aim of creating an enabling environment for the development of affordable housing through a multi-pronged approach, encouraging land use, planning infrastructure development and financial assistance mechanism. We have also notified 'Tripura Land Pooling & Plot Reconstitution Policy' to enable planned urban development in extended urban areas. Satellite township scheme aims to establish 3(three) Satellite towns near Agartala, Udaipur and Dharmanagar to cater to exploding urbanization in a planned manner.

## **Co-operation**

- 225. For giving more thrust to the co-operative movement of the State, the State Government started computerizing the office of the Registrar, Co-operatives, Tripura Co-operative Agriculture and Rural Development Bank and Primary Agriculture Credit Societies in the State. State Government will take initiative to revamp credit co-operatives, consumers co-operatives and warehouse marketing and processing co-operatives.
- 226. Registration of Co-operative Societies under TCS Act, 1974 is done in an online mode under Ease of Doing Business through SWAAGAT Portal. So far, 614 Co-operative Societies have been registered under the said portal. Out of which, 28 Farmers Producer Organization (FPO) have been registered.
- 227. The Tripura Co-operative Societies (5th Amendment) Bill, 2025 has been placed with a view to simplify, digitize, decriminalize the procedure of the Tripura Co-operative Societies Act, 1974 to reduce the redundant provisions therein for the purpose of enhancing the scope of Ease of Doing Business (EoDB). The Societies Registration (Tripura Amendment) Bill, 2025 has also been placed which provides for amendment of Principal Act, 1860 as well as insertion of new sections and provision under the Act with a view to ensure proper monitoring and supervision of the Societies registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860.

#### Law

- 228. State Government has started improving all Judicial infrastructure. During 2024-25, construction of court building at Bishramganj, vertical extension of court building at Khowai, court building at Kailashahar, court building at Agartala, residential courts for Judicial officers at Khowai, Dharmanagar, Sabroom, Udaipur, Amarpur and Kailashahar have been taken up.
- 229. During 2024-25, 1,110 Legal Awareness Programme were conducted by the Tripura Legal Services Authority in which 1,29,358 people participated. 42,910 cases were disposed of through Lok Adalat.
- 230. During 2025-26, construction of New Court Building at Kanchanpur, Jampuijala, Karbook, Belonia will be undertaken.

## **Employment Services & Manpower Planning**

- 231. During 2024-25, 19 Job Fair & Recruitment Drive for recruitment of Job-seekers in the Private Sector under the National Career Service Project has been conducted by the Department, where 2871 candidates attended for 1035 vacancies and 305 candidates got placement. 10(ten) Vocational Guidance Programmes were also held in which 273 candidates participated.
- 232. During 2024-25, 82 Career Counselling Programme was conducted in different Schools and Colleges of the state and in that programmes, 12,009 students/job-seekers participated. During the same period 1(one) Career Exhibition Programme had also been conducted and 200 students attended in the programme. During this year, 28 Career Awareness Programme for Agniveer scheme was conducted in different Schools and Colleges of the state and in that programmes, 3763 students/job-seekers participated.
- 233. The Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) for individuals aged 15 years and above in Tripura during 2024-25 is 63.70 percent in rural areas and 52 percent in urban areas, indicating active engagement of the working aged population in the labour market. Recent data as per Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) indicates a significant decline in Tripura's unemployment rate. In

- 2023-24, the state's unemployment ratio stood at 1.70 percent, notably lower than the National Level of 3.20 percent. This marks a substantial improvement from the 10 percent unemployment rate reported in 2018-19.
- 234. Career Counselling Programme, Vocational Guidance Programme and Career Awareness Programme will also be continued in 2025-26. An Integrated Employment Portal will be developed.

### **Good Governance**

- 235. During 2024-25, a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Cell has been set up for facilitating PPP projects in the state through the India Infrastructure Project Development Fund (IIPDF) scheme of the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance, Government of India. The PPP Cell has actively evaluated 26 proposals of various departments, out of which 5(five) feasibility reports have been submitted, of which Bids have been invited for 1 (one) project.
- 236. The department has brought out 'Record Retention and Disposal Policy 2023'. The policy inter-alia provides for preservation of records/documents as well as for disposal of certain records/documents so that these should be kept no longer than the period necessary for the proper conduct of business.
- 237. The State Government has framed Public Asset Management and Cleanliness Policy on June, 2024 to establish guidelines for the regular inspection, maintenance and cleanliness of public assets, improving the efficiency and sustainability of public asset management, enhancing public awareness and engagement in asset cleanliness and management efforts and ensuring equitable access to well maintained public assets for citizens of the state.
- 238. State Government with the help of National Law University, Tripura review on various acts/rules/citizen interfaces which are in force in various Government Departments/Statutory Institutions/Regulatory Bodies of Tripura to identify provision which provide for imprisonment, heavy penalty and punishment for minor offences, suggests way forward to repeal of such provisions for reduction of the compliance burden and enhancing Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living and also identify acts/rules that are outdated or outdated

- over passage of time and changes in business process or introduction of other similar acts/rules. The Hon'ble Chief Minister has released the report on the first anniversary of Good Governance Day.
- 239. Tripura Institution for Transformation (TIFT) has on-boarded Indian institute of Management, Calcutta (IIMC) and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) as one of the knowledge partners as per the State Support Mission of NITI Aayog. In collaboration with IIMC, TIFT has undertaken to study the prospects of niche industries in Tripura and also aspires to do a skill gap analysis for suggesting policy level interventions that would be critical for inviting private investments into the state that will eventually create employment opportunities for the youth.
- 240. TIFT has also onboarded Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata (ISI) and signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) as one of the knowledge partners as per the State Support Mission of NITI Aayog. TIFT, in association with ISI Kolkata is working on the District Good Governance Index (DGGI) through which it is aspired that a framework for monitoring of activities of all the field level administrative units shall become easier based on clearly defined key Performance Indicators (KPIs).
- 241. During 2025-26, TIFT will organise an event named 'SMART Sprouts' for the school's students studying in Class VIII to Class XII to create a vibrant eco-system that promotes entrepreneurship among the youth of Tripura. By providing a platform for idea sharing and practical experience, the event aspires to inspire the next generation of business leaders and innovators. This initiative is committed foster an entrepreneurial culture that will contribute to the economic development of the region. The event is essentially conceptualised with the motto 'Catch them Young'.
- 242. The second edition TIFT Talks best practices adopted in Tripura will be organised to share best practices related to governance, innovation or technologies that are making an impact across different sectors.

## **General Administration (P&T)**

243. State Government has given thrust on IT application in Governance. The IT related training programmes at SIPARD has increased from 23 in 2023-24 to 87 programmes in 2024-25. A

100 seated Computer Lab will be set up at SIPARD in addition to revamping the existing labs for online training in the iGoT Karmayogi platform. Further the Institute is in the process of entering into collaboration with other organizations of national and international repute where this lab will be used for conducting online classes and examinations.

## **General Administration (SA)**

244. The land for the establishment of Tripura Bhawan at Kharghar, Navi Mumbai has been purchased by the State Government and the construction of Bhawan will be started soon. State Government has also purchased a land for establishment of 1 (one) new Tripura Bhawan at Dwarka, New Delhi with financial involvement of Rs. 23.66 Cr. For the interest of people of Tripura, extension of Tripura Bhawan building at Salt Lake will be taken up. An allocation of Rs. 20 Cr is kept for construction of Bhavans in 2024-25. An Annexe Building is also under construction at Tripura Bhawan, Tikendrajit Marg, New Delhi. An amount of Rs. 2.94 Cr will be spent for the same.

#### **General Administration (Political)**

245. During 2025-26, I propose to announce one new scheme 'Chief Minister's Assistance for daughter/son of Army/CAPF (AR, BSF, CISF, CRPF, ITBP, NSG, SSB) Personnel'. Under this scheme, the StateGovernment will provide social pension to the unmarried and dependent daughters/sons (over 18 years of age) of Army/CAPF personnel, who sacrificed their lives for the country. The concerned Army/CAPF personnel must be a permanent resident of Tripura. An amount of Rs.2.40 Cr is allocated for this scheme for the year 2025-26.

#### Labour

246. During 2024-25, Tripura Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare (TBOCWW) Board has provided Rs. 19.80 Cr financial assistance to the registered construction workers. 16,555 unorganized workers have been registered in the e-SHRAM Portal. Under Tripura Employees' State Insurance Society, a total of 17,200 patients received Primary treatment,

2,968 patients received Secondarytreatment and 114 patients received super speciality treatment during the financial year 2024-25 (upto 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024). An amount of Rs. 2.25 Cr has been spent for this purpose.

## **Factories and Boilers Organizations**

- 247. With gradual increase in number of factories, the question of Safety, health and welfare of workers employed in the factories all over the State has assumed greater significance. 16 new factories have been given Registration in 2024 thus bringing the total number of factories in the State to 757 with a total of approximately 61000 workers engaged therein, besides, these 2(two) new boilers installed in factories mount up to 57 boilers in the State out of which 17 are power boilers.
- 248. As a part of good governance, an initiative decriminalization, Tripura Boilers Rules amended for creating a conducive environment for ease of doing business in line with Jan Vishwas Act, 2023 for decriminalization of certain offences.
- 249. During 2025-26, the Department will organize at least 300 Spot Safety Awareness campaign and 10(ten) District Level Safety Awareness Programme.

### **Finance**

- 250. 10 (ten) CSS schemes have been onboarded for SNA SPARSH and as a result, State Government got entitlement for incentives of Rs. 500 Cr. Integration of State e-GRAS portal and RBI e-Kuber. 2.0 for tax and non-tax revenue receipts has been completed.
- 251. State Government is going to implement NextGen Human Resource Management System for efficient management of human resource under the State Government. State Government has also decided to implement IFMS 2.0 for efficient management of state finances.
- 252. 2(two) new Sub-Treasuries at Jampuijala and Karbook will start functioning from next financial year. Necessary notification in that regard has been issued by the State Government.
- 253. The collection of GST during fiscal year 2024-25 is commendable and up to third quarter, collection is Rs.1267.38 Cr, showing growth of 8.82 percent over the same period of previous year. Collection of VAT also shows upward growth with collection of Rs.404.02 Cr. The

- collection of Excise Duty shows 13.09 percent growth up to third quarter of this fiscal over the same period of previous year. There is very high growth in collection of Electricity Duty, which shows 16.15 percent growth till third quarter of this fiscal over the same period of previous year.
- 254. State Government has taken up different initiatives for improving the collection of tax revenue. Opening of GST Gyan Kendra, use of analytical tools for identification of fraud and deployment of Tax Intelligence Unit etc. to name a few.
- 255. State Government is giving thrust on online audit by Audit Directorate. During 2024-25, State Government got online audit done for 1260 PRIs by the Audit Directorate.
- 256. The performance of the state with regard to implementation of different social securities schemes i.e. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY), Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Atal Pension Yojana (APY) is quite commendable. So far 13,39,515 accounts are covered under PMSBY, 51,1788 accounts are covered under PMJJBY and 2,65,420 accounts are covered under APY.
- 257. The total Budget Allocation in FY 2025-26 is Rs. 32423.44 Cr which is an increase of 16.61 percent over the BE 2024-25. The Capital Expenditure is projected at Rs. 7903.26 Cr with an increase of 19.14 percent over the BE 2024-25. The summary of Receipts and Expenditure is given in the next page.

(Rs. in Cr)

Sl. No.	Items	Amount
(A)	Revenue Account	
	1 Receipts	26416.15
	2 Expenditure	24520.18
	3 Surplus (A1-A2)	1895.97
(B)	Capital Account	
	1 Receipts from Lohns & Others	5577.73
	(including Public Account and Opening Balance)	
	2 Expenditure	7903.26
	3 Deficit (B1-B2)	(-) 2325.53
(C)	Total Receipts (A1+B1)	31993.88
(D)	Total Expenditure (A2+ B2)	32423.44
Budget Deficit (C-D)		(-) 429.56

# Respected Speaker Sir,

This budget is an outline to make our State 'Vikshit Tripura', so that our initiatives will contribute towards 'Vikshit Bharat'.

I extend my sincere thanks to all.

Namaskar! Jai Hind!

