

JAIL

The existing ten Delhi Prisons (nine in Tihar Complex and one District Jail, Rohini) are presently highly overpopulated. There is a sanctioned capacity of 6250 prisoners but about 13,500 prisoners are presently lodged. On an average about 1000-1100 prisoners go to attend various courts everyday. Around 300 to 350 prisoners are admitted and an equal number of prisoners are released daily. It leads to about 1,00,000 - 1,25,000 prisoners visiting the Delhi Prisons yearly. The ten prisons are full of various activities including adult education, formal education, games, counseling, law, health, vocational, meditation, reformation, factories etc.

The space congestion two-three times has created unprecedented problems of health, hygiene, sewerage, management control, discipline etc. This has serious adverse effect on human rights of persons. All efforts are, therefore, being made to reduce prison population on one hand and to construct new jails on the other. The Govt. of Delhi is committed to solve this problem. National Human Rights Commission, High Courts and Supreme Court are taking keen interest in decongesting of jails in Delhi. Land for jails at Mandoli has already been acquired and construction likely to commence from June, 2007.

In addition, there are plans to construct jails in Narela and open jail at Baprola. The proposal for purchase of land is under process with DDA. For the land at Narela the part payment has been made to the DDA as desired. The land at Baprola has been identified and draft notification for acquisition for land is under process. Two jails would be taken up for construction at these sites also. After completion of all these jails, the total prisoner capacity of the jails would be about 13,500.

The population of prisoners is almost doubling every 10 years. By the end of 11th Five Year Plan, we expect the prisoner population in Delhi would be around 19,000/ 20,000. Even when the courts succeed in off loading prisoners from jail, the prisoner population is not likely to be less than 15,000/ 16,000 by the end of 11th Five Year Plan.

Construction of new jails involves construction of accommodation both office as well as residential for various services like Jail Staff, Security Staff, PWD, DAP etc. It also involves creation of posts for Jail, Administration, Medical & Health, Purchase of vehicles & various equipments etc.

Brief details of various schemes are as under:-

1. Construction of District Jail at Mandoli, Shahdara (Rs.2500 lakh)

Aims and Objectives of the Scheme	:	To decongest the existing jails and to accommodate more prisoners.
Cost of Scheme	:	Rs.168.51 crore
Year of commencement/ target date of completion	:	For Mandoli Jail, possession of 78.62 acres of land was taken over at a cost of Rs.49.60 lakh out of which 10 acres of land has been handed over to Delhi Police
i. Expenditure during 9 th Plan, if any	:	104.48
ii. Approved outlay 10 th Plan (2002-07)	:	1000.00
iii. Expenditure incurred during 10 th Plan	:	284.24
iv. Proposed Outlay for 11 th Plan	:	12500.00

The construction work is to be started during 2007-08 and the whole of the Jail buildings would be completed by the end of 11th Five Year Plan.

2. Setting up of Control Room (Rs.100 lakh)

Aims and Objectives of the Scheme	:	The basic objective of the scheme is to purchase security equipments like CCTV/ Cellular Jammer system to strengthen the security arrangements
i. Expenditure during 9 th Plan, if any	:	28.19
ii. Approved outlay 10 th Plan (2002-07)	:	500.00
iii. Expenditure incurred during 10 th Plan	:	1447.67
iv. Proposed Outlay for 11 th Plan	:	500.00
v. Approved Outlay for 2008-09	:	100.00
vii. Physical Targets	:	CCTV to be purchased and installed in all Prisons

3. Developmental work in Central Jail Tihar:(Rs.975 lakh)

Aims and Objectives of the Scheme : The objective of the scheme is to carry out various developmental works like construction of roads, sewer lines, construction of barracks, sanitation services etc. in the Tihar Jail Complex.

i. Expenditure during 9 th Plan, if any	:	2186.24
ii. Approved outlay 10 th Plan (2002-07)	:	1500.00
iii. Expenditure incurred during 10 th Plan	:	3333.17

4. Additional staff for existing and new jail [Rs.125 Lakh]

Aims and Objectives of the Scheme : The basic objective of the scheme is to create various types of posts for existing of new jails

i. Expenditure during 9 th Plan, if any	:	878.17
ii. Approved outlay 10 th Plan (2002-07)	:	7300.00
iii. Expenditure incurred during 10 th Plan	:	1816.57
iv. Proposed Outlay for 11 th Plan	:	2300.00
v. Approved Outlay for 2008-09	:	125.00
vi. Physical Targets	:	Staff oriented Scheme