

Highlights of Budget Speech 2018-19

BUDGET ESTIMATES 2018-19

- Budget of Government of NCT of Delhi in 2018-19 is proposed at ₹53,000 crore.
- The total budget of ₹53,000 crore in 2018-19 is 19.45% higher than the revised estimates of ₹44,370 crore in 2017-18.
- The total financial support to Local Bodies in 2018-19 is ₹6903 crore which is 13% of the total budget and 9.88% higher than the funds given in the revised estimates of 2017-18.

GREEN BUDGET

- Delhi Government has presented its first Green Budget for Delhi with 26 schemes / projects of four Department, i.e. Environment, Power, Transport and PWD.
- A real-time source apportionment study in partnership with the University of Washington will be carried out.
- The first comprehensive city-wide inventory of greenhouse gas emissions in Delhi will be carried out.
- Government will offer an incentive to industries in approved industrial areas of up to ₹ 1 lakh to switchover to Piped Natural Gas from existing polluting fuels.
- Subsidy of up to ₹ 5000 per tandoor will be offered to restaurants to replace Coal tandoors with Electricity or Gas-based tandoors.
- Subsidy of up to ₹ 30,000 to firms and establishments to switch over from Diesel Generator Sets of 10 KVA or more capacity to Clean Fuel based Electricity Generator Sets.

- Government will provide a dedicated information system showing current levels of pollution by installing 1000 indoor display panels inside all government buildings.
- Rolling out 1000 fully-electric buses is proposed in Delhi during 2018-19. This will be the highest fleet of electric buses in any city or state in India, and in fact, by any city in the world outside of China.
- Transport department will support induction of 905 electric feeder vehicles by DMRC.
- One time subsidy of ₹ 30,000 will also be given to all E-Rickshaw owners registered during the period 01.07.2015 to 01.04.2016.
- Additional amount of ₹15,000 will be given to those E-Rickshaw owners who were paid subsidy at old rate of ₹ 15,000 till date. This subsidy will be given from Air Ambience Fund.
- 50% concession in registration charges for CNG factory fitted private cars will be given.
- Weigh Bridges at three impounding pits in Burari, Sarai Kale Khan and Dwarka will be installed.
- Sixty new vehicles, body-worn cameras and e-Challaning tabs will also be purchased.
- A new scheme “Landscaping of PWD roads” will be launched for beautification of all PWD roads.
- Government has committed to purchase 1000 MW of Green Power i.e. from solar and wind-based generation in 2018-19.
- Government will pilot an innovative scheme named Agriculture-cum-Solar Farm scheme.

TRANSPORT

- 1000 standard size buses will be inducted in DTC fleet in 2018-19.
- 1000 new cluster buses will also be added under cluster scheme in 2018-19.
- Common Mobility Card will be implemented in all buses from April 2018. Delhi Metro Rail Card can be used for tendering fare in buses using ETMs.
- Six new bus depots at Gumanhera, Mundela Kalan, Rohini Sector-37, East Vinod Nagar, Bawana Sector-5 and VIU Burari will be constructed in 2018-19.

EDUCATION

- Education sector has the highest share of 26 percentage of total budget allocation in 2018-19.
- Construction of 12,748 additional classrooms and 30 new school buildings
- Setting up of Nursery classes in 366 Sarvodaya Vidyalayas are proposed.
- Government has started “Chunauti 2018” programme in order to develop the text book reading ability and basic maths skill of students of primary classes.
- About 1.2 lakh CCTV cameras will be installed in all Government school buildings, for which, an outlay of ₹ 175 crore has been proposed in the Budget Estimates 2018-19.
- Self-defence classes for girl students in government schools will be started.
- A new scheme for evaluation of all schools in Delhi to promote healthy competition among schools and to help parents to have access to authentic information regarding quality of education, environment and facilities available in schools.

- Two new schemes i.e. 'Play & Progress' and 'Mission Excellence' are proposed to promote sports talent of students and other sports persons.
- Skill Development Model of World Class Skill Development Centre will be replicated by setting up of 25 new World Class Skill Development Centres.
- Setting up of 13 new Language Academies, and English Academy are proposed.
- Annual series of State level Dance and Singing Talent Hunt and Cultural activities in all Assembly Constituencies, Research Fellowship in Archaeology and Archive etc. will be taken up.

HEALTH

- 530 land sites have been identified for setting up of new Mohalla Clinics. The government aims to set up a total of 1000 Mohalla Clinics in the next financial year.
- 24 polyclinics are in operation and 94 dispensaries identified for converting into Polyclinics.
- 2546 new beds will be added in 7 existing hospitals by way of remodelling/expansion.
- Mobile van clinics for providing eye and ear care services will be started.
- To provide trauma services with reduced response time at congested areas of east Delhi, First Responder Vehicles with 16 motor cycles will be started.
- Universal Health Insurance Scheme will be introduced to cover treatment of citizens of Delhi in empanelled private hospitals and Government hospitals.

SOCIAL SECURITY & WELFARE

- New Scheme “Mukhya Mantri Tirath Yatra” for senior citizens is proposed. Entire cost of the pilgrimage will be borne by the Government including the insurance of pilgrims.
- CCTV camera will be installed in all Anganwadi Centres.
- Mobile phones will be provided to Anganwadi Workers.
- Model Anganwadi Centre will be set up.
- Training to Parents and to Anganwadi Samitis on Early Childhood Education will be given.
- On the pattern of “Ladli Scheme”, a new Scheme is proposed for the students belonging to SC/ST/OBC/Minorities.
- Under “Jai Bhim Mukhya Mantri Pratibha Yojana”, coaching to SC students is provided through reputed private coaching institutions to prepare them to appear in competitive examinations.
- A new scheme is proposed for “Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drug) Abuse”.

WATER & SEWERAGE

- Bulk water meters at all the Water Treatment Plants, Primary and Secondary UGRs will be installed for water audit on daily basis.
- Small sewage treatment plants will be set up in colonies of Burari, Chattarpur, Kirari, Narela, Jindpur, Palla, Bawana, Kanjhwal, Badarpur, Mundka and Najafgarh.
- DJB has planned to lay internal sewer line in 162 colonies in Palam, Bijwasan, Matiyala, Dwarka, Najafgarh, Mundka, Rithala and VIKASPURI Assembly Constituencies in a phased manner.

HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- To provide basic civic amenities like construction of roads and drains, water supply, sewerage, sanitation and street lights etc., Rs. 1500 crore has been proposed for unauthorized colonies.
- An outlay of ₹ 100 crore has been proposed in 2018-19 to take up augmentation of infrastructure and development works in major markets and trading areas of Delhi.

ROAD & OTHER BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

- Construction of elevated road of Barapullah Phase – III from Sarai Kale Khan to Mayur Vihar will be completed by December 2018.
- Construction of Elevated Road over Najafgarh Drain from Kakrola More to Wazirabad will be started during 2018-19 on Grade Road parallel to Najafgarh drain in a stretch of 25 Kms.
- Construction of flyover at Karawal Nagar, Bhajanpura Junction and flyover at Gagan Cinema, Nand Nagri T-Junction and Underpass at Loni Road on Mangal Pandey Marg of 6.5 Kms length will be started.
- Construction of Kalindi Bypass between DND flyover and Faridabad along Yamuna and Agra Canal will also be started.
- Construction of Elevated road from Signature Bridge to Kalindi Kunj Bypass will also be started.
- To speed up the work of WI FI facility, the project is to be implemented by PWD instead of IT Department.

TIME LINE FOR IMPORTANT PROJECTS

- Government, for the first time, has included details of the time line of important projects and schemes proposed to be implemented in 2018-19 in Part-C of the Budget Speech.