

Highlights of Budget 2019-20

BUDGET ESTIMATES 2019-20

- ❖ Budget of Government of NCT of Delhi in 2019-20 is proposed at ₹60,000 crore
 - Budget for Schemes, Programmes and Projects - ₹ 27,000 crore
 - Establishment Budget - ₹ 33,000 crore
 - Budget under Revenue Head - ₹ 44,781 crore
 - Budget under Capital Head - ₹ 15,219 crore
- ❖ The Budget Estimates of ₹60,000 crore in 2019-20 is 13.21 percent higher than the Budget Estimates of ₹53,000 crore and 19.52% over Revised Estimates of ₹ 50,200 crore in 2018-19.
- ❖ The proposed budget of ₹60,000 crore in 2019-20 is almost double the total expenditure of ₹ 30940 crore in 2014-15.
- ❖ Total financial support of ₹ 6380 crore is proposed for the local bodies in 2019-20, which includes, ₹ 2331 crore as tied fund for implementation of schemes/programmes/projects by the Local Bodies and ₹ 2244 crore as Basic Tax Assignment (BTA), ₹ 1805 crore has been provided for Local Bodies as share in Stamps and Registration fee and one time parking fee.

DELHI ECONOMY

- ❖ The Gross State Domestic Product of Delhi at current prices is likely to increase to ₹ 7,79,652 crore in 2018-19 from ₹ 6,90,098 crore in 2017-18, indicating a growth of 13 percent.
- ❖ At constant prices, Delhi's economy is expected to grow at the rate of 8.61% in 2018-19 whereas the all India growth rate is 7.2%. The annual average growth rate of GSDP in the last four years remains at 8.92%, which exhibits strong economic fundamentals of Delhi's economy.
- ❖ The per capita income of Delhi is ₹3,65,529 in 2018-19 with an increase of 11% over the per capita income of ₹ 3,28,985 in 2017-18. The per capita income of Delhi in 2018-19 is about three times higher than the per capita income of ₹ 1,25,397 at national level.
- ❖ The per capita expenditure of Government of NCT of Delhi through budgetary transactions has increased from ₹19,218 in 2015-16 to ₹30,369 in 2019-20.

EDUCATION

- ❖ The Education Sector has the highest share of allocation of ₹15,601 crore which is 26% of total budget in 2019-20.
- ❖ To inculcate enterprising attitude among the students of Government school, Universities under GNCTD, ITI, Polytechnics and higher and technical institutions, an amount of ₹ 42 crore has been provided in the education budget in 2019-20. Under this programme, an amount of ₹1000 to each student of 11th and 12th class and ₹ 5000/- to each student of Higher and Technical education will be given to experiment their own business ideas.

- ❖ Two innovative schemes are proposed in Education sector: (i) To promote digital learning, students of 11th and 12th class of Rajkiya Pratibha Vikas Vidyalaya (RPVVs) and School of Excellence will be given computer tablets, (ii) 'Pratibha Fellowship' to be given to students of Government and Government aided schools for promotion of art and culture.
- ❖ Scholarship of ₹ 2,500 per student per annum for meritorious students will be given to all students of class 7th to 12th, securing 80 percent or more marks in the previous class without linking to any income ceiling, under the "Chief Minister's Scholarship scheme".
- ❖ A new "University of Applied Sciences" is proposed to be set up to boost vocational education through various skill-based courses.
- ❖ Government has proposed a new teacher training university to promote excellence in teacher education.
- ❖ Two new programmes i.e. Delhi Kala Kendra and Yuva Mahotsava are proposed to be implemented in 2019-20 to promote Delhi's art and culture.

HEALTH

- ❖ Total bed strength is to be increased from 10000 beds to 20000 beds in various hospitals of Delhi Government, for which, important hospitals projects i.e. 600 bedded Hospital at Ambedkar Nagar and 800 bedded Hospital at Burari at the stage of completion, 1241 bedded Hospital at Dwarka is at an advance stage of construction, addition of 2601 beds has been planned through remodeling of various hospital projects.
- ❖ Government has ensured availability of free medicines to patients visiting dispensaries and Government hospitals, for which, an amount of around ₹ 300 crore is spent in a year for purchase of medicines. Our Government has also started 1031 helpline to report the problems of patients in free medicines, investigations and surgeries etc.
- ❖ Delhi Government has already launched the scheme for medical treatment of road accident victims and fire burn victims under which more than 3000 victims have been treated.
- ❖ Services of First Responder Vehicle on Motorcycle manned by trained manpower and equipped with Mobile data terminal/ GPS devices has been started in East Delhi to reach in narrow streets of congested areas within shortest possible time.
- ❖ Total outlay of ₹ 7485 crore has been allocated for Health in 2019-20. This includes revenue budget of ₹ 6462 crore and capital budget of ₹ 1023 crore.

SOCIAL SECURITY & WELFARE

- ❖ A total amount of ₹ 2214 crore has been earmarked in the budget under financial assistance schemes for senior citizens, persons with special needs and women in distress. The number of total beneficiaries under these schemes increased to around 7.60 lakh in 2018-19 compared to 4.83 lakh beneficiaries in 2015.
- ❖ A number of new programmes i.e. Fixed Deposit Scheme for the differently-abled students on the pattern of Ladli Scheme, financial assistance for the marriage of daughters of the differently-abled parents, incentives and concessions to the student with locomotor disability by giving them discount in the price of scooters and motorized tricycles designed to suit their needs, Ambedkar Pathshala scheme for remedial coaching to SC/ST/OBC students studying in class 6th to 10th in Government schools.

- ❖ A remarkable initiative for the legal community “Chief Minister Advocates’ Welfare Scheme” is proposed in 2019-20 for which, an amount of ₹ 50 crore is provided in the budget. The budget will be utilized for various social security measures: life insurance, medical facility, scholarship etc. for the needy advocates and their family members.
- ❖ Government has increased the margin money from ₹ 70 per quintal to ₹ 200 per quintal to smoothly run the public distribution system for Fair Price shopkeepers.

HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ An outlay of ₹1600 crore has been proposed in BE 2019-20 for undertaking various developmental works in unauthorised colonies including ₹ 600 crore for water supply and sewerage.
- ❖ Delhi is the first State to substantially enhance the budget under the MLALAD scheme for development of area of Assembly Constituencies in Delhi by increasing the ceiling from ₹ 4 crore to ₹ 10 crore per annum per Assembly Constituency. This is the highest allocation by any State Government and by Central Government.
- ❖ DUSIB has constructed 640 *Jan Suvidha* Complexes with 20476 functional seats and made the facility free of use charges from 1st January, 2018.
- ❖ DUSIB through 212 Night Shelters with a capacity to accommodate about 17,595 inmates has been providing shelter to the shelter-less with all amenities.

WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION

- ❖ An outlay of ₹ 100 crore has been proposed for improvement in ground water under various rejuvenation projects in 2019-20.
- ❖ A new scheme “Rejuvenation/Preservation and Maintenance of Water Bodies” is proposed in 2019-20 for revival and rejuvenation of water bodies located in NCT of Delhi.
- ❖ A new 50 MGD water treatment plant is proposed to be constructed at Dwarka.
- ❖ Delhi Government has planned to get additional 246 MGD water from various projects to make Delhi self reliant.
- ❖ Water pipeline has been provided in 406 unauthorized colonies in last 4 years and work is in progress in 142 unauthorized colonies. 127 KMs old distribution water pipeline network has been replaced in 2018-19 to prevent water contamination.
- ❖ The sewerage facility has been provided in 345 unauthorised colonies and work is in progress in 355 colonies.

ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE

- ❖ Some of the important projects i.e. construction of four lane road of 25 Km along bank of Najafgarh drain from Dhansa Regulator to Dwarka Mor and widening of bridges on NH-10 at Rampura, Tri Nagar/Inderlok and Karampura will also be taken up during 2019-20.
- ❖ The streetscaping on six stretches of PWD roads will be taken up in the year 2019-20 at a total cost of ₹ 308 crore.
- ❖ Construction of six Foot Over Bridges at Metcalf House; Yusuf Sarai; Africa Avenue; Aali Mod, Harkesh Nagar, Mathura Road and Oberoi Hotel is proposed.

- ❖ Installation of CCTV cameras in Delhi has been started, ₹ 500 crore has been proposed in BE 2019-20 for installation of approximately 1.4 lakh CCTV cameras (2000 per Assembly Constituency).

TRANSPORT

- ❖ Government has started several important public transport projects, the most important is the introduction of the Common Mobility Card, modern bus terminals and bus queue shelters, installation of GPS, CCTV and panic buttons in all public buses, scientific route rationalization of all buses, so that every passenger can have access to public transport within a walking distance of 500 meters.
- ❖ Government has planned to roll out 4000 new buses on roads under public transport system and that these buses will be operational in different phases from next financial year.
- ❖ Proposal of phase-IV of Delhi Metro Project comprising 6 corridors with the length of 103.93 km has been approved by the Government, for which, ₹500 crore has been allocated in 2019-20. With the completion of phase-IV project, total length of Delhi metro will become 453.93 Km.
- ❖ A new scheme “Construction of Bus Queue Shelters” for the protection of the bus commuters from the changing weather conditions and to provide sitting place to the elderly persons and women. 1397 bus queue shelters are proposed to be constructed at different locations.

TOURISM

- ❖ Entry points in Delhi will be given an aesthetic look with beautification and makeover of five entry points in phase-I at Gurugram Border, Tikri Kalan Border, Ghazipur Border, Apsara Border and Anand Vihar border.
- ❖ Yamuna as a world class tourist destination will be developed for international and domestic tourists particularly by developing area around the Signature Bridge. The landscape across the site will be developed in an environmentally sustainable manner.

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ Delhi will be first state in the country to implement Swaminathan Commission report to fix the Minimum Support Price of the crops under which, Minimum Support Price (MSP) is to be fixed by the Government for various crops, one and half times more of the cost of production. An amount of ₹100 crore has been provided in the budget to compensate the farmers of Delhi through financial support.
- ❖ A new scheme “*Smart Krishi Yojana*”, will be launched under which the farmers will be provided knowledge of technology for high yielding and high quality variety for agriculture crops, so that farmers can enhance their income.