



Budget Speech
by

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In respect of
Demand No. 72

For the year
2022 – 2023

Hon'ble Mr. Speaker Sir,

On the recommendation of the Governor, I beg to move that under the Demand No. 72, a sum of Rs. 12805,37,91,000/- (**Rupees Twelve thousand eight hundred five crore thirty seven lakh and ninety one thousand**) only be granted as voted expenditure for the Financial Year 2022-23 under the major heads 2052, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2235, 3451, 3475, 3604, 4216, 4217 & 6217.

Development as a whole whether it is rural or urban faced a huge challenge during last couple of years. The pandemic devastated our normal plans of development. The urban spaces have suffered a lot to fight against the menace which was more challenging than it should have been due to the very high density of population and high rate of infectivity. Our most of the resources -human and financial had to be utilized for fighting against the dreaded disease . In this backdrop, we tried to consolidate our initiatives in some areas where there were scope for more improvement.

Environment is our most important concern now. A consorted effort in this field could save the human race. In a developing nation like us, we have to proliferate its industrialization for

accommodating the unemployed or underemployed youths . The population density is continuously rising in the urban areas. These are our constrains. Taking in to consideration all the limitations and constrains we are trying to make our environment clean and green. I hope that our initiatives supported by the citizens from all cross sections could be able to usher the development in a sustainable and environment -friendly way.

The main focus of this Department during 2021-22 is to address environment related issues. Installation of STPs, air quality monitoring stations and solid waste management plants are being set up across the state and by 2023 a sea change will be seen in this field.

Major Steps taken so far during this year are scientific management of Municipal Solid Waste across all 128 Urban Local Bodies in 2973 Wards of West Bengal including the 43 Ganga Towns, ninety four lakh two coloured bins have been delivered to the households for segregation of bio-degradable and non-bio-degradable waste,engaging members of the women Self Help Groups (SHGs) as 'NirmalSathis' for community mobilization reaching out to every household to sensitise citizens .5285 NirmalSathis as foot soldiers are on the ground. 97% of the total house to house collection of municipal solid waste has been ensured across all ULBs. 39752 NirmalBandhus (Conservancy Workers) are engaged to reach the door steps of almost 58 lakh households. While bio-mining and bio-remediation of the legacy waste at 74 dump sites are in progress for land reclamation.

Construction, rejuvenation, augmentation of sewerage treatment plants(STP) for liquid waste management has been taken up during this financial year.

Development of urban green space, conservation of water bodies, installation of energy efficient street luminaires are some of the environment friendly initiatives of this department. During this year fund has been released to the tune of Rs.87.21 cr against different schemes under Green City Mission and AA&FS issued for estimated cost of Rs 59.11cr. Construction of environment friendly nature park at Lataguri at the cost of Rs.9.2 cr is going on in full swing .Mohabani Development Authority has been constituted in PaschimMedinipur during this year to promote eco-friendly tourism, agri-based industries within the planning area.

This department has developed huge water supply network across the urban areas of the state and it is committed to cover hundred per cent households with pipe water supply by 2023.Micro planning for reaching the target is being made. During this year construction of additional 20 MGD Water Treatment Plant has been taken up at Jai Hind JalPrakalpa at the cost of Rs. 122 cr ,at Dhapa at Kolkata.

Development of religious places to promote religious tourism is one of the key areas of this department.Highest importance has been given on health & hygiene of those areas.Some of the major projects in this bracket are development and renovation of Kalighat Temple Complex with a tentative cost involvement of Rs. 28.00 Cr., rejuvenation of 'DudhPukur' at Tarakeshwar at the cost of Rs.11.89 cr ,Renovation of Furfura Sharif (main mazar),environmental upgradation of Tarapith Temple Complex at Rs.2.99 cr,Construction of 'Theme park' in front of "Natmandir of Kapil Muni Ashram at Ganga Sagar and other allied work of infrastructure. Another scheme at SuratheswarTala has been taken up to promote religious tourism in proposed 'Satipith Circuit'.

As a part of the sustainable development in state of West Bengal, all leather industries in Kolkata are being relocated to a new leather complex. The major motivation behind the relocation is the prevention of environmental pollution caused by more than 500 tanners operating in 3 tanner cluster in Kolkata. The new area assigned to the leather industries, the so called Calcutta Leather complex within Sector VI Industrial Township is being developed exclusively for setting of all types leather manufacturing activities.

Apart from infrastructural development which is being done for last couple of years during this year highest importance has been given on environmental improvement plan by planning to set up common effluent treatment plant(CEPT),secured land fill(SLF), environmental monitoring system and fire and emergency management system.

Around 5.50 lakhs (direct and indirect) employment will be created in future after completion of entire CLC project which was declared by Hon'ble Chief Minister as 'Karmo Diganta'.

e-Governance is an very important area where this department is continuously working on to provide hassel free citizen-centric services. Some of the achievements in this field are ,Integrated State-wide Geographical Information System and Citizens' portal, online Single Window System for issuance of Building Plan Approval by the ULBs(e-Grihanaksha) ,issuance of Signage License for Advertisement including Renewal of Signage License for Advertisement in Municipal Areas(<http://signage.silpasathi.in/asp/signin.aspx>),permission for Shooting of Movies in Municipal Corporation Areas (<https://wburbanservices.org>).

Execution of all possible schemes received during campaigns of 'ParaySamadhan'is an important initiative . Fund released during

this FY :Rs.32.23 cr. for schemes 1410 , Administrative approval issued during this period : Rs.44.32 cr. for 1284 Schemes.

To provide subsidized , nutritious meals to the needy section of the society 'Maa' canteen is running in 125 ULBs at 251 centres with a budget provision of Rs.115.0cr. and on an average 48000 persons are getting meal per day .

This Department is thoroughly preparing the drainage schemes in a comprehensive manner with technical inputs received from Irrigation and Waterways Department. The schemes are short term and long term in nature.A major initiative in this area is survey work for Howrah Comprehensive drainage project with the help of most modern technology for subsequent preparation of DPR .

Some of the other major initiatives undertaken by this Department in 2021-22 that have made major impact are as follows:

Some of the major infrastructural projects undertaken by this Department that have made major impact are as follows-

- 1) Development and renovation of Kalighat Temple Complex has already been taken up and work is in progress. Tentative cost involvement is Rs. 28.00 Cr.
- 2) Expansion of Water supply project at Coochbehar at a cost of Rs. 43 Cr.
- 3) Construction of 25 MGD Water Treatment plant at Garden Reach Water Works at a cost of 87 Crs.
- 4) Execution of all possible schemes received during campaigns of 'Paray Samadhan' . Fund released till date is Rs 35.95 cr.

for 710 schemes and AA&FS issued for 3132 schemes, estimated cost of which stands to Rs. 211.79 cr.

5) Environment improvement Programme:

1. Construction, rejuvenation, augmentation of Sewerage treatment plant(STP) for liquid waste management:

- a) Fully Operational STPs: Bhatpara (60MLD), Kalyani (20MLD), Gayeshpur, Bugde Bugde (60MLD), Barrackpore STP (24MLD), Halisahar STP (16MLD)
- b) STPs under rejuvenation : Rejuvenation of existing 15 STPs with 257 MLD capacity within North 24 Parganas, Hooghly, Howrah districts
- c) Under Construction STPs: Nabadwip (10 MLD), Kanchrapara (18 MLD), Beharampur (3.5 MLD) Jangipur STP (13 MLD)

Upcoming Projects :

Ranaghat (12 MLD), Maheshtala (35 MLD), Hooghly Chinsurah (26 MLD), New Barrackpore (35 MLD)

Road map of Urban Development and Municipal Affairs Department for the FY 2022-23

Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department has the responsibility to shoulder developmental activities as well as to provide civic services 128 Urban Local Bodies and 20 Development Authorities in association with local authorities.

During last one decade, this department has taken up huge initiative to develop urban infrastructure as well as to provide better civic services and to promote e-governance in day to day functioning of local authorities . The Development Authorities

are relentlessly working on development of infrastructures to create a perfect eco-system for business and industry .

This Department has chalked out its road map for the FY 2022-23 on the following points:

- 1) 75 % coverage of premises with piped water supply,
- 2) 100% coverage of ULBs with scientific disposal plan of fresh waste,
- 3) 40 % coverage of ULBs with scientific disposal plan of liquid waste ,
- 4) Finalization of DPR for comprehensive drainage master plan for Howrah Municipal Corporation,
- 5) Periodical cleaning of non-irrigation canals for storm water drainage,
- 6) Initiative for ULB based DPR preparation for comprehensive drainage project,
- 7) Further development of industrial infrastructure within planning area,
- 8) Infrastructural development in newly constituted planning areas like, Mohabani, Gajaldoba and Birsingha,
- 9) Preparation of water balance plan for all the ULBs and accordingly planning for further augmentation of water supply projects,
- 10) Revamping of existing water bodies within ULBs to facilitate rain water harvesting,
- 11) Initiative for emergency arrangement for storm water drainage in case of excessive rain fall,

- 12) Continuation of 'MAA' canteen for providing meals to the poorer section of society,
- 13) Execution of allowable schemes received during different phases of 'ParaySamadhan'
- 14) Further strengthening of health infrastructure for preventive, curative and community health services at ULB level,
- 15) Highest effort for prevention of vector borne diseases,
- 16) Execution of heritage development plan in Coochbehar and Nabadwip municipality,
- 17) Water supply projects for uncovered ULBs

18) Upcoming Township

This Department has taken up the works to develop a smart township- 'Samriddhi Theme Township' over an area of 54 acre (Approximately) beside Barrackpore - Kalyani Expressway, Kalyani, Nadia. The new township will provide 25% of the land area for basic urban infrastructure facilities, which includes the area of the theme activity, i.e. knowledge and research based activities (25% of the net project area) along with other, recreational, institutional and commercial uses; 30% of the land area for basic urban infrastructure amenities; 20% of the land area for urban forestry and organized open spaces and the balance land for new residential plots following the Township Rules & Regulations.

- 19) Further expansion of citizen-centric e-services,
- 20) Development of road network, water supply network and modern street lighting arrangement within Sector-VI Industrial Township Authority.

SOME MAJOR SCHEME HEADS AIMING TO CREATE INFRASTRUCTURAL ASSETS IN ULBS

Paray Samadhan

The ParaySamadhan programme is introduced by the State Government for providing early resolution to public demands and grievances. Execution of allowable proposals received during two phases are going to be completed. The proposals received during third phase are going to be undertaken.

MAA Scheme:

State Government has launched a Scheme namely 'MAA' for providing cooked quality meal to the poor and needy citizens of the State to be served by Urban Local Bodies from common kitchen/s with the contribution of Rs.5/- by the beneficiaries since 15th February, 2021. Subsidy of the State Government is Rs.10/- per meal. In Urban areas State Government has assigned UD&MA Department as Nodal Department, SUDA as Nodal Agency and respective ULBs as Implementing Agency. ULBs have engaged SHG members as cook cum helper. Budget for 2021-22 is Rs. 1,15,47,87,000/-. Till date 251 canteens in 126 ULBs (including 123 canteens at KMC) have been providing cooked food to the urban poor.

ATAL MISSION FOR REJUVENATION AND URBAN TRANSFORMATION (AMRUT)

In 55 towns of West Bengal 42 Water Supply projects and out of that 18 Water Supply projects amounting to Rs. 1304.47 crores in Bankura Municipality, Asansol Municipal Corporation, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Howrah Municipal Corporation, Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation, Krishnanagar Municipality,

Uluberia Municipality, Uttarpara-Kotrung Municipality, Kanchrapara Municipality, Serampore Municipality, Bansberia Municipality, Hooghly-Chinsurah Municipality, Baidyabati Municipality, Baranagar Municipality, Bongaon Municipality and Chandannagar Municipal Corporation have already been completed, 3 Sewerage & Septage Management projects and out of that 1 Sepatege Management Project amounting to Rs. 15.00 crore in South Dum Dum Municipality have already been completed, 7 Drainage projects, out of that 1 drainage project amounting to Rs. 60.00 crores in Halisahar Municipality have already been completed and 2 Non-motorized Urban Transport Projects amounting to Rs. 5.00 crore in Uluberia Municipality and Uttarpara-Kotrung Municipality have already been completed. 422 Green Space Development Projects were taken up under this programme and out of that 383 Green Space Development Projects, amounting to Rs. 78.37 crores have already been completed.

In 3 subsequent years i.e. 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18, total Rs. 4035.00 crore with Rs. 1929.32 crore Central Assistance was approved. So far Rs. 1470.78 Crore as Central assistance and Rs. 1454.51 Crore as State Matching share have been allocated. Out of which Rs. 2443.67 Crore has been mobilized to Urban Local Bodies. Out of that Rs. 2295.96 Crore has already been utilized by the Urban Local Bodies.

MISSION NIRMAL BANGLA

In recent years State Government has given maximum importance towards achieving the goals of Mission Nirmal Bangla. To provide clean, green and hygienic environment to every citizen is our primary objective. Under Mission Nirmal Bangla, 124 ULBs have declared themselves as Open Defecation

Free (ODF) by way of constructing Individual Household Latrine (IHHL), out of that Government of India declared 93 ULBs as ODF after their third-party verification. Out of total target of construction of 273278 IHHL, 265715 (97%)IHHL have already been constructed and further on demand of the ULBs, 2214 Community Toilets and 498 Public Toilets have been constructed. Within April, 2022, 1 (one) more ULB of West Bengal will be declared as ODF. 93 ULBs have been targeted to achieve ODF+ status within September, 2022 and we are working untiringly to achieve this coveted milestone.

Municipal Solid Waste Management is another core area of Mission Nirmal Bangla programme. Proper management of Solid waste is one of the uphill tasks of this century. The major achievements are:

- Department has notified two policies of State Government: i) on Solid Waste Management and ii) Plastics Waste Management
- Department has also notified Treated Waste Water Re-use Policy of Urban West Bengal.
- 125 ULBs have notified banning of plastic carry bag below 50 micron
- Door to Door collection of municipal solid waste - 99% achieved
- We are regularly arranging District Wise Orientation Programme for all the ULBs and different stakeholders for establishing the system of segregated collection and transportation of waste through extensive IEC and Capacity Building programme. Till date we achieved 34% of waste collection and transportation in segregated manner.

- Regular Sweeping of markets and places of importance - 100% achieved
- Daily cleaning of river ghats - 100% achieved
- 100% screen installation in all major drains to prevent discharging of waste into River Ganga.
- 85.34 lakh household bin (green and blue coloured) supplied to individual households through ULBs
- 60,000 community bin (green and blue coloured) supplied to the ULBs for placing in different locations of the city.
- Various equipments and vehicles for waste management have been provided to ULBs like - Tri-cycle van, Battery & Fuel Operated Tipper, Dumper, Compactors etc.
- DPRs for Solid Waste Management have been prepared for all 125 ULBs
- Identified 123 legacy waste dumpsites in 111 ULBs and accordingly tender floated and work order issued for bio-mining of legacy waste. Work started in 74 dump sites of 69 ULBs.
- Tenders are being floated and agencies for all the ULBs (except KMC) are being engaged for establishment of wet waste processing plant, Material Recovery Facility (MRF) for dry waste and sanitary landfill site and 10 years O&M. Till date work order issued for 34 ULBs, tender matured for 31 ULBs and decentralized processing of waste involving Self Help Groups is being planned for 25 ULBs.
- For rest of the ULBs, tender have already been floated for Legacy waste and fresh waste management.

- Since land has become a major issue for setting up of Processing Plant and Scientifically Designed Sanitary Land Fill Site as per Solid Waste Management Rule 2016 and compliance of directives issued by Hon'ble NGT time to time, we need to allocate land to the ULBs through Inter Departmental Transfer of Land. The respective District Magistrates have been requested to identify the lands.
- Since we are having a good number of drainage in almost all the ULBs and that in most of the cases there is no distinction between sewage water and storm water drainage often mixing with one another and polluting towns as these discharged water are often been untreated and that all such drainage are not practically been possible to be tapped to channelize into the existing STPs, we need to explore relatively economical yet effective Faecal Sludge Management Policy to minimize the risks of surface as well as ground water contamination. Even for this, we need to provide lands suitable for such Faecal Sludge Management System as per prevailing SOP.
- We are in the process of preparing Faecal Sludge Management Policy and Construction and Demolition Waste Management Policy.

Air Quality Monitoring:

For maintaining the air quality, all the ULBs are taking following actions to prevent air pollution:

- ✓ Identification of road stretches with high dust generation.
- ✓ Use of Water sprinklers/dust suppressors on the roads.
- ✓ Increase frequency of mechanized cleaning of road and sprinkling of water on roads.

- ✓ Sprinkling of water before sweeping of roads including the pavements
- ✓ Plan for Traffic Congested Roads to prepare for reducing extra burden on a particular road
- ✓ Plan for new construction and repairing of pavements
- ✓ Proper planning for plantation on the road side.
- ✓ Procurement of the requisite vacuum cleaning.
- ✓ Identification of garbage burning on road

An online portal has been developed by the Department, where all the ULBs are uploading their Quarterly status report on regular basis.

NATIONAL URBAN LIVELIHOOD MISSION

The State Urban Livelihood Mission (SULM), the flagship programme for Urban Poverty Alleviation has been implemented in the State since 1st April, 2014 with the focus to create sustainable livelihood through self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities with special emphasis on the women of poor urban household. Mobilisation of urban poor into Self Help Groups (SHGs) is the single most priority under the programme.

- In the State, 9 lakh women have been organised into more than 74,000 SHGs across 125 ULBs. The SHGs have been further organised Area Level Federation (ALF) and City Level Federation (CLF). ALFs have been constituted at more than 80% of the Wards and will be fully covered by the end of FY 2021-22. All ULBs will also have a CLF by the end of the FY 2022-23.

- Revolving fund amounting to Rs.78.20 crore has been disbursed to 66761 SHGs after the SHGs complete basic orientation training and Books of accounts training. Revolving fund @Rs50000/- per ALF has been released to 2072 ALFs (i.e Rs.10.36 crore).
- The State Government has disbursed Rs.1125.26 crore as cash credit loan to 35000 SHGs as on 21/01/2022. For FY 2021-22 the target for cash credit linkage is put at Rs.75.83 crore for 5055 SHGs. The government has disbursed 1st dose loan amount of Rs.88.52 crore to 5365 SHGs.

Employment through Skill Training & Placement (EST &P), another important component of the programme has been revamped and rolled out in the State to ensure quality benchmarks set by the SULM are strictly adhered to with the objective to make trainees skilled enough to obtain a wage employment or go for a self employment. 86 ULBs have conducted trainings of 102 batches of 11000 candidates on different sectors like Health Care, women Driving and Food entrepreneurs through the Skill Training Partners empanelled with the State Urban Livelihood Mission. To address the pandemic situation, GoWB have arranged online skill training in 3 identified sectors and trained unemployed youth in different courses of Healthcare sector.

- Monitored by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, provision of Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH) is also an activity under the programme. This has challenges to be met with but we have rose to the occasion and there are 40 functional shelters, 42 more are under construction and tender process stage.

Initiative during COVID-19 Pandemic situation:-

- More than 19750 SHG members across 125 ULBs were

involved in mask production. Total 40, 19,708 masks produced by SHGs.

- More than 3780 SHG members across 108 ULBs were actively involved in the production of homemade hand sanitizer. Total 80915 liter of sanitizer produced till date.
- All the residents in shelters had been provided free food, face masks, soap, hand wash and sanitizers etc. Residents are ensured to maintain social distance.
- During lockdown 1713 federations have extended support supplying essential commodities including food grains, vegetables etc to local residents. Total 923654 food Packets distributed among 204536households.
- SHGs were also engaged for supplying food in quarantine centres.
- Exhaustive awareness generation for Covid 19 precautions, Lockdown rules, home delivery of food and medicines taken up by urban SHGs.
- SHG members have been actively engaged in Vector-borne diseases (VBD) control activities including house to house survey as field surveyor and supervisor.

Special Initiative for business promotion of SHGs:

- STATE SWAYAMSIDDHA MELA-2021 was the largest fair organised by West Bengal Government in FY 2020-21 at Central Park, Salt Lake. There were 357 Stalls and 1100 SHGs were involved with this fair. Around 10,000 women members and their families have been supported by this mela. The sale value of this mela is above Rs.2 Crore.
- Similar fairs have been organised in all districts as DISTRICT SWAYAMSIDDHA MELA -2021-22 which have generated

positive response from common citizens with large participation. Around 30,000 women members and their families have been supported by this mela. The sale value of this fair is above Rs.6.2 Crore.

Bangla Abas Yojna

Launched in the year 2015-16. Housing for All for the urban poor has so far completed 1.67 lakh Dwelling Units (DUs) and plans are afoot to complete another 1 lakh DUs by the end of fiscal 2022. The unit cost of a DUs is put at Rs.3.68 lakh including electrification. The beneficiary contribution is pegged at Rs.25K for ULBs with less than 5 lakh population and Rs.35K for ULBs more than 5 lakh population. Like many other programmes, the State contribution is 53% against a Central contribution of 41 % and the rest being borne by the beneficiaries. West Bengal possibly is only State in the Country where the State contribution is more than Central share for the programme. The peripheral infrastructure development with equal contribution from the State Government & the ULB is also an integral part of the programme.

There are 4 (four) verticals for execution of the schemes namely 'Beneficiary Led Construction, Affordable Housing Project, In Situ Slum Rehabilitation and Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme'. Most of the DUs are being implemented under the component 'Beneficiary Led Construction' where funds & instalments are released to the beneficiaries to construct their own houses. 4.92 lakh beneficiaries having sanctioned DUs till date, out of that 2.45 lakh DUs have been grounded, out of which 1.67 lakh DUs has already been occupied by the beneficiaries.

The programme implemented in all 125 ULBs has a fully functional City Level Technical Cell at all ULBs and a State Level

Technical Cell is placed at SUDA. Real time geo tagging of houses at 5 (five) different stages of construction is the tool to monitor the programme and also release of funds to the beneficiaries through the ULBs.

Geo Tagging of the DUs have been emphasized to capture different level of construction and to maintain transparency. As per MIS, West Bengal presently occupies top rank in the country in Geo Tagging. Only State in the country where fund are released shortly based on physical progress captured through geo-tagging and photograph.

BANGLAR BARI:

Considering the constraint of availability of land the State Government notified a new scheme named as Banglar Bari with the objective to provide DUs to the urban poor on a cluster approach with the construction of multi storied buildings. The scheme entails construction of multi storied flats of G+3 and minimum a carpet area of 285 sq. ft. and built up are of 350 Sq. ft. Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department is the Nodal Department and SUDA acts as the State Level Nodal Agency for the scheme. In conforming with the existing Municipal Building Rules, the buildings have been designed accordingly with the unit cost of 6.25 lakh as per the present PWD Schedule of Rates. 3322 beneficiaries have been identified so far.

HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMMES

With the objectives of providing preventive and curative primary healthcare services to the urban poor and vulnerable population, two Programmes namely Urban Primary Health Care Services (UPHCS) and Community Based Primary Health Care Services (CBPHCS) & Honorary Health Workers Scheme (HHW Scheme)

are functional in different Urban Local Bodies of West Bengal. The major services include reproductive and child Health care including immunization and family planning, prevention, diagnosis and management of communicable and non-communicable diseases, promoting sanitation, hygiene and nutrition etc.

Urban Primary Health Care Services, funded by Dept. of UD & MA is being implemented now in 50 ULBs with special focus on women & children covering 68 lakh (approx) populations through different Sub Centres, Health Administrative Units, Extended Specialised Out Patient Department, Maternity Homes and Regional Diagnostic Centres.

The budgetary provision for UPHCS is being provided by the State Government in this Department for carrying on operation and maintenance of the Health facilities created under the Programme after cessation of external aid. During 2021-22, the State Government allotted an amount of Rs. 73.77 crore under the Scheme for providing honorarium / salary to the staff in the Programme, procurement of drugs, rent for Sub-Centres and contingencies and providing terminal benefit of Rs. 3 lakh each to health workers on attaining the age of 60 years. Out of the allotted amount Rs. 58.94 crore has been utilized under the Scheme. Budgeted estimate for the financial year 2022-23 is Rs. 124.42 crore.

Community Based Primary Health Care Services and Honorary Health Workers Scheme, funded by Dept. of Health & Family Welfare through SUDA are being implemented in 71 ULBs at present. It covers total Urban population (34.03 lakh) in 315 Sub-Centres operational for delivery of clinical services under this Programme. During 2021-22, an amount of Rs. 22.58 crore

has been received from the Dept. and 19.61 crore has been released under the Scheme. Budgeted estimate for the financial year 2022-23 is Rs. 30.24 crore.

In addition to that Health & Family Welfare Department has accorded sanction for setting up of 1169 Urban - Health & Wellness Centres (U-H&WCs) at 125 ULBs (including KMC) in the State during the financial year 2021-22, 2022-23 & 2023-24 and also accorded sanction for setting up of 76 Polyclinics and 102 Diagnostic Centres in the State during the financial year 2021-22 under 15th Finance Commission Health Grants.

PREVENTION & CONTROL OF VECTOR BORNE DISEASES:

In order to strengthen the prevention and control of vector borne disease particularly Dengue, House to House and Vector Control Teams are put in to operation on a fortnightly basis throughout the year. Following activities have been undertaken:

Pulse Mode campaign for source reduction through intensive cleaning has been conducted in the period February to April 2021. 14 rounds House to House activities and 28 rounds Vector Control Activities has been conducted during the financial year 21-22 from May to November 2021.

During the financial year 2021-22- 99825 Kgs. of BTI ABIL & 104859 kgs. of BTI 164 (bio larvicides) & 74912 ltrs. of Temephos (chemical larvicides) were delivered to the ULBs through West Bengal Medical Services Corporation Limited at a total cost of Rs. 33.11 crore. 2 (two) crore Guppy fishes were also delivered to the ULBs through Fisheries Department for Vector Management Programme for the year 2021.

Total amount allotted from this Department for Vector Management Programme is Rs. 105.20 crore and Rs. 44.92 crore allotted from H&FW Department during financial year 2021-22.

During the month of March 2022 to June 2022, Pulse Mode activity(16 rounds) i.e. from 14th March 2022 to 1st July 2022 to be carried out 5 (five) days in a week, Monday to Wednesday rotation-wise the thematic areas (breeding sites), on Thursday discussion and review of the work done and on Friday Mop up Cleanliness drive.

Field level House to House Survey Activity and Conservancy Activity including spraying of larvicides are to be carried out during the month of July 2022 to November 2022- 5 (five) days in a week. House to House Survey - Monday to Friday and Conservancy Activity - Tuesday to Saturday.

More focus to be given on comprehensive Vector Control activities/ Conservancy activities for source reduction. This year, 18 rounds (July, August, September & November - 4 rounds each and October-2 rounds) Vector Control activities and 10 rounds (July to November 2 rounds each) of House-to-House visits.

During financial year 2022-23 BTI-ABIL: 49923 Kgs., BTI-164: 52458 Kgs., and Temephos 37485Ltrs will be procured through West Bengal Medical Services Corporation Limited and delivered to the ULBs for Vector Management Programme.

2 (two) crore matured Guppy fishes will be required for the Vector Management for the year 2022.

Total estimated budget for Vector Management Programme for the year 2022 is Rs. 196.57 crore (including Rs. 69.79 crore under budget head of the H&FW Department).

Regular inspection and cleaning of canal in co-ordination with Irrigation & Waterways Department has been taken up.

Intensive IEC campaign for preventive measures to be followed by citizens for prevention of Dengue.

During the financial year 2022-23, introduction of New Supervisory Tier above Conservancy Team: 1 (One) VCT / Conservancy Supervisor are to be engaged for every 3 (three) wards for monitoring the field level activity of Vector Control Team / Conservancy Team. 944 VCT / Conservancy Supervisor are to be engaged for this purpose.

COVID-19 Management

The Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department has also engaged with the Health & Family Welfare Department in facilitation of vaccination of all citizens in the Urban areas. Since preparation of the comprehensive database for all Front Line Workers and Health Care Workers since October, 2020, the Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department has been mobilizing target beneficiaries as notified by the State Government from time to time like all Hawkers, Retailers, Vegetable Vendors, Meal & Fish Vendors, all categories of staff in Government Offices, parastatals of the Government, Bank employees, Transport Workers, Sex Workers etc. The Vaccination Centres include Government facilities, Centres run by the Urban Local Bodies and Private facilities. All proposed sites at Kolkata are pre-visited by Medical Officers from SUDA, the Human Resource identified is trained and thereafter onsite monitoring is conducted. Till date 113.83 % of total urban population (1st dose above 18+ population), 94.85 % (2nd dose above 18+ population), 75.52% (1st dose 15-17 yrs. population) and 43.38 % (2nd dose 15-17 yrs. population) vaccination covered at Kolkata MC area & other 124 ULBs.

Jay Bangla Scheme

Social Assistance Programmes have been brought under single umbrella, Jay Bangla. Number of people benefited through this

scheme is nearly 5,78,728. Disbursement of Financial Assistance is made directly to the respective Bank Accounts of the respective beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode from the month of June, 2020. Pension amount disbursed up to the month of March, 2022.

SOME MORE INITIATIVES FOR UPGRADATION OF URBAN PEOPLE WITH FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

1. Waste Management: This Department has taken up huge initiative for solid and liquid waste management in urban areas. Till date twenty eight major projects of SWM with a project cost of Rs. 201.00 crore and nineteen major projects of liquid waste management with a project cost of Rs. 2630.00 crore for twenty six lakh people of twenty nine Municipal area is running under NMCG. (A) Sewage Network and STP projects (6 nos) at Gayeshpur, Kalyani, Bhatpara, Halisahar, Budge Budge, Barrackpore. (B) I&D network with STP projects (11 nos.) at Kanchrapara, Barrackpore, Tolly's Nullah (Adi Ganga), Howrah, Bally, Kamarhati-Baranagar, Nabadwip, Berhampore, Jangipur, Maheshtala and Kolkata. (C) I&D network with STP project at Chandannagar-Bansberia-Uttarpara-Kotrung-Baidyabati-Bhadreshwar-Seerampore-Champdani (D) I&D network with STP project at Naihati-Garulia-Titagarh-Panihati-Khardah Municipality.

Approval of five more liquid waste management projects for five lakh fifty thousand people of five Municipal area will be issued shortly. (i) I&D Network with STP project at Burdwan with a project cost of Rs. 234.31 Crore. (ii) I&D Network with STP project at Durgapur with a project cost of Rs. 287.53 Crore. (iii) I&D Network with STP project at Asansol & Kulti with a project cost of Rs. 384.96 Crore. (iv) I&D Network with STP project at North Barrackpore with a project cost of Rs. 214.78

Crore. (v) I&D Network with STP project at Hoogly-Chinsurah with a project cost of Rs. 154.73 Crore.

2. Water Supply Projects: This department has taken up initiative for water supply projects in urban areas. Till date nine major projects of water supply with a project cost of Rs. 2730 crore for people of thirty Municipal areas is going on. (A) Uttarpara Trans-Municipal Water Supply Scheme under special infrastructure fund. This Water Supply Scheme will provide equitable treated surface water to 7 Municipalities i.e. Uttarpara- Kotrung, Konnagar, Rishra, Dankuni, Serampore, Baidyabati & Champdani and 6 nos Peri-Urban areas i.e. Rishra, Rajyadharpur, Piarapur, Nabagram, Kanaipur & Raghunathpur Panchayat. Total population that will be benefitted by this scheme is 13, 88 574. (B) South Dumdum Water Supply Scheme under State fund. Total population that will be benefitted by this scheme is 4, 54,550. (C) Madhyamgram Water Supply Scheme under State fund. Total population that will be benefitted by this scheme is 1,55, 290. (D) Panihati Water Supply Scheme under State fund. Total population that will be benefitted by this scheme is 1,73,076. (E) Maheshtala Trans-Municipal Water Supply Scheme under State fund. Total population of Maheshtala, Budge Budge & Pujali Municipality that will be benefitted by this scheme is 7,76, 500. (F) Rajpur-Sonarapur Water Supply Scheme. Total population that will be benefitted by this scheme is 7, 60,150.

Approval of four more projects will be issued shortly. (i) Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme of Pujali Municipality with a project cost of Rs.44.33 crore. (ii) Surface water supply scheme for ward no.28, 35, & 36 within Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation under state fund with a project cost of Rs. 55.86 crore. (iii) Augmentation of Water

Supply Scheme of North Dumdum Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 156.27 crore. (iv) Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme of Naihati Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 61.43 crore.

3. Drainage Schemes: Storm water drainage projects in various Municipal areas has been taken up by KMDA. Till date eight major projects of drainage with a project cost of Rs. 351 crore has taken up.i.e, Storm water drainage project for Naihati Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 81.68 crore, Storm water drainage project Barrackpore Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 37.76 crore, Storm water drains along SodepurMadhyamgram Road within Barrackpur-II Block under N 24 PGS with a project cost of Rs. 33.88 crore, Storm water drainage project Madhyamgram Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 25 crore, Storm water drainage project Halisahar Municipality (Phase - II) with a project cost of Rs. 64.84 crore,Storm water drainage project Bhatpara Municipality with a project cost of Rs. 75 crore, Storm Water drainage at Durgapur Municipal Corporation with a project cost of Rs. 27.45 crore,

Approval of four more projects will be issued shortly.

(i)Preparation and Implementation of GIS based Drainage Master Plan and DPR of Barrackpore Sub Division and Bidhan Nagar Municipal Corporation, North 24 Pgs, West Bengal.

(ii) Detailed survey, preparation of base map in GIS platform for underground drainage system and other utilities that crosses storm water drainage channel and finding out suitable alignment and size of underground storm water drainage leading to proposed lifting station at the bank of Eastern Drainage Channel in Nabadiganta Industrial Township authority (NDITA), Sector-V, Salt Lake.

(iii) Preparation Of Geographic Information System (GIS)

Based Comprehensive Drainage Master Plan and Detailed Project Report for Nabadwip Planning Area, District - Nadia, West Bengal. (iv) Construction of storm water drainage system and Drainage Pumping Station at 16 Bigha Area under Maheshtala Municipality.

4. Roads and Bridges Projects:

- A) Strengthening work of Southern By-pass Road starting from Kamalgazi Flyover End to Baruipur / Padmapukur More (Both Eastern and Western Flanks) in the District of South 24 Parganas .with a project cost of Rs. 78.00 crore is running under State fund.
- B) Construction of 3 Major RCC Bridges at three locations viz. Metropolitan (Ch KM 5+282), Laskarhat (Ch. KM. 9+150) and at Kalikapur (Ch. KM. 11+050) on E.M. Bypass, Kolkata with a project cost of Rs. 52 crore is running under state fund.
- C) Construction and Maintenance of Foot over Bridge with Stair Case & ramp; Provision of escalator facilities from Chaulpatty Road to JalaVayuVihar from West to East, extended up to Major Arterial adjacent to Eastern Drainage Canal with a project cost of Rs. 10.33 crore is running under state fund.

Approval of seven more projects will be issued shortly (i) Skywalk at Ruby Crossing with multi-directional dispersal with a tentative project Cost 83 crore (ii) Ruby-Kalikapur Flyover along E M Bypass with a tentative project Cost: 650 crore. (iii) Elevated Corridor from E.M. Bypass to Newtown with a tentative project Cost : 600 crore (iv) Reconstruction of distressed Chetla Lock Gate bridge after dismantling the corroded steel structure (Under tendering process) with a project Cost 5.81 crore. (v) Elevated Corridor at Syed Amir

Ali Avenue (An extension of Maa Flyover with Grade Separating Ramp) with tentative Project cost of Rs. 350 crore.(vi) Repair and Reconstruction work of Kalighat Bridge at Kolkata with project cost 18 crore.(vii) Repair and Retrofitting works of Chingrighata Flyover, Kolkata with project Cost 1.2 crore.

5. Logistic Hub: Construction of G+5 storied Logistic Hub at Garden Reach have been taken up with a project cost of 67.3 crore by which 2.77 lakh of commercial space have been created and around five thousand employment will be created.
6. Auditorium Hall at Amtala: Construction of Auditorium Hall at Amtala with a cost of Rs26.5 crore and 2.5 lakh people will be benefitted .

WEST BENGAL URBAN EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

"West Bengal Urban Employment Scheme" is a 100% state assisted scheme for generation of employment by way of creating man days. The scheme comes out to be very effective for providing citizen centric services at the ULB level.

For the financial year 2022-23, budgetary provision is to the tune of Rs 450.00 crore. The State has enhanced the rate for skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled labourers which was announced by Honorable Chief Minister on 26th February, 2021. The Department has also proposed for a major enrichment of the scheme guideline for making it more compatible with present needs.

With this, I place my demand before the August House and seek support from all the honourable members for passing of the said demand.

