

CHAPTER 27

EDUCATION & YOUTH WELFARE

Education plays a vital role in achieving human development, hence, universalisation of school education and complete eradication of illiteracy among the people in the age group of 15 to 35 years is one of the basic objectives of the Tenth Plan.

27.2 The thrust areas identified for General Education are—

(1) To accelerate the tempo of universalisation of School Education Programme, especially in Tribal Sub-Plan area, hilly/inaccessible areas and other backward areas.

(2) To reduce the drop-out rates among the students at Primary Education level by launching special campaigns for motivation of weaker sections of society.

(3) To create congenial atmosphere in the rural and backward areas by involving local bodies in villages in the process of universalization of school education programme.

(4) To educate the economically weaker sections of the society about the importance of school education for their children with the assistance of teachers' organizations, voluntary organizations, volunteers from Government and Non-Government institutions like the Rotary and Lions Clubs. This will help to create awareness among the illiterate.

(5) To encourage the families of the weaker sections to send their children for primary education by taking ameliorative measures for their economic upliftment.

(6) To identify the adult illiterates within the age group of 15 to 35 years and to ensure their participation in the total literacy campaign.

(7) To increase the tempo of adult education programme, by organising motivation campaigns in the Tribal Sub-Plan and backward area.

(8) To encourage involvement of cooperatives/factories functioning in the rural areas in the process of eradication of illiteracy among adults.

27.3 The outlay in the 9th Five Year Plan for General Education Sector, the outlay and anticipated expenditure for Annual Plan 2001-2002, outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 and outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 are given on next page :—

(Rs.in lakhs)

	Ninth Five Year Plan	Annual Plan 2001-2002	Annual Plan	Tenth Five Year Plan
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Sector/Sub-Sector (1)	(1997-2002) Approved Outlay (2)	Approved Outlay (3)	Anticipated Expenditure (4)	2002-2003 Outlay (5)	2002-2007 Outlay (6)
I. School Education Department—					
1. Elementary Education	76614.40	12024.43	12024.43	15746.31	148445.19
2. Secondary Education	113461.92	12190.15	12190.15	7871.46	77126.02
3. Adult Education	3842.07	110.00	110.00	183.00	1725.20
4. Other Edul. Prg.	7269.69	920.66	920.66	1204.39	8264.59
5. Physical Edn.(NCC)	1411.92	25.00	25.00	100.00	1250.00
6. World Bank Project (Social Security Net)	6000.00	1300.51	1300.51	....	....
Total ...	208600.00	26570.75	26570.75	25127.37	236811.00
II. Higher & Technical Education Department—					
7. University and Higher Education	16708.00	1671.23	1671.23	1336.33	18862.00
8. Physical Education (NSS)	700.00	77.00	77.00	25.84	900.00
Total ...	17408.00	1748.23	1748.23	1362.17	19762.00
Grand Total ...	226008.00	28318.98	28318.98	26489.54	256573.00

Some of the important programmes under General Education and allocation in the Annual Plan 2002-2003 and Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 are as under.

Opening of Primary Schools in Schoolless Villages

27.4 The new revised policy of the Government states that a primary school should be opened with 200 population and where no schooling facility exists within the radius of 1 K.M. and in the hilly and inaccessible areas with 100 population and 1 K.M. distance.

An outlay of Rs.864.77 lakh is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.91.73 lakhs for opening of primary schools in schoolless villages.

Opening of Primary Schools for children of sugarcane cutting workers

27.5 Primary Schools are proposed to be opened in the vicinity of sugarcane factories in order to provide education to children of sugarcane workers. The class-rooms will be provided by the sugar factories concerned. These schools will be run by the Zilla Parishads. It is also

proposed to impart training to teachers and Block Education Officers. The outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs. 58.17 lakhs. An outlay kept for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.6.17 lakhs.

27.5 A. Vasti Shala - In rural areas Primary School facility is available within radius of 1.5 K.M. and for population of 200 while in hilly and inaccessible areas for population of 100, still there are such habitations which do not full fill above conditions. For these habitations Government has started Vasti Shalas. In 2001-2002 such 4774 Vasti Shalas are opened. There must be in all 15 students of Std. I to IV to open a Vasti Shaa. These Vasti Shalas are run by Gram Panchyats / Gram Shikshan Samities.

27.5 B. Mahatma phule Shikshan Hami Yojana - Children from rural areas are working as child Labour mainly in Agricultural field, Animal Husbandry, Sugarcane Cutting, and children from urban areas working at different places as child labour and shelterless children are deprived from Primary education. To provide the Education facility to such children this scheme is started. These school Centres are opened for 10 to 20 children and run by Vouluntary organisation. Local vouluntary teachers are appointed on contract basis through vouuntary organisationas and paid Rs.1000/- p.m. as honororium, total expenditure per centre per year estimated to Rs.18625/-.

27.5 C. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan - To achieve the target of Universalisation of Primary Education and to enroll the 100% children of age group 6 to 14; Government of India introduced this scheme. The Central Hovernment Assistance for this scheme is 85% in 9th Five Year Plan, 75% in 10th Five Year Plan and 50% there after. This scheme is implemated in the State by Maharashtra Prathamik Shikshan Parishad. Also Committees and Sub Committees are to be appointed at district level.

Some of the targets of this scheme is 100% enrollment of age group of 6 to 14 year by the year 2003, and to provide qualitatie Primary education which is essential for life style to all children by 2007 & to complete school education of all students by 2010. An outlay of Rs. 132.92 lakh is provided in Tenth Five Year Pln 2002-2007 and Rs.14.10 lakhs for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Appointment of Primary School Teachers

27.6 Appointment of Primary School Teachers is done under the contract system. The outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 for appointment of school teachers due to natural expansion is Rs.13941.94 lakhs and outlay for 2002-2003 is Rs.1478.89 lakhs.

Opening of Balwadis in Zilla Parishad Primary Schools

27.7 To achieve universalisation of primary education, it is necessary that children in the age group of 3-5 years should enroll their names in the schools and attend the classes regularly. To achieve the goal of universalisation and for effective operationalisation of the primary schools, it is considered essential to establish Balwadis in the campus of each Zilla Parishad's primary school.

The objectives of the scheme are as under:—

1. Children should be acquainted with school environment.

2. To inculcate good and healthy habits among children.
3. To develop senses through play-way method.
4. To reduce drop out rate.

An Outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.146.41 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.15.53 lakhs.

OPERATION BLACKBOARD

Building and Equipments

27.8 Construction of two room units of primary school buildings is proposed under Operation Black Board Programme. Under this programme 60% of the total expenditure is provided under Prime Minister Rojgar Yojana and the remaining amount i.e. 40% will be provided by Education Department. Outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.4094.37 lakhs and an outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.434.31 lakhs.

Book Banks

27.9 Government has started the scheme of book banks in primary schools to provide a set of books to the needy students. These sets are required to be replaced periodically. The outlay in the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.3135.05 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.332.55 lakhs.

Free text books are provided to all the students studying in Standard I to IV of Zilla Parishad Primary School of the 103 blocks where the female literacy rate is below the national average. Outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.4503.42 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.477.70 lakhs.

27.10 A set of free uniforms and writing material is provided to all students belonging to the SC/ST category for standard 1 to 4 studying in Zilla Parishads Schools. The scheme is implemented in the area where literacy rate is low. An outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.11818.91 lakhs. Outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.1253.69 lakhs. Free uniforms and writing material is provided to all the students of Std. I of primary schools in 103 blocks where female literacy rate is below the national average. An outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.9183.13 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.974.10 lakhs.

Attendance Allowance to Girls from Weaker Section of the Society

27.11 To provide incentive and to give social justice to those girls who are especially from the tribal community, S.C. Vimukta Jatis/Nomadic Tribes and economically weaker sections of the society, who are below poverty line the scheme of Attendance Allowance to girls of SC/ST and economically weaker sections of the society has been introduced. Under this scheme Rs. 1.00 per day per student attendance allowance for 220 working days in a academic year is given to the parents of these girls. During the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, an outlay of Rs.19272.80 lakhs is provided. Outlay provided for this scheme in the Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs. 2044.36 lakhs.

District Primary Education Project under Social Safety Net-

27.12 The Government of India is providing extra resources, for accelerating the pace of educational development of the districts which are educationally backward, through World Bank. The outline of the scheme is as follows :—

The State shall identify educationally backward districts on the basis of percentage of Literacy especially of men. If this percentage is less than the National average then the district would be identified as Educationally backward one. As per the norms there are 9 districts in Maharashtra which are backward ; they are :—

(1) Aurangabad (2) Nanded (3) Parbhani (4) Latur (5) Osmanabad (6) Beed (7) Jalna (8) Dhule (9) Gadchiroli (10) Hingoli (11) Nandurbar.

The Government of India desires to provide the assistance on the basis of Project Reports prepared for this D.P.E. Project on the basis of Micro Planning. However, certain conditions are to be fulfilled by the State for this purpose, they are—

(1) To ensure the maintenance of the present level of budgetary provision for primary education, even after the receipt of the aid.

(2) The State is expected to establish a Registered Society for this purpose.

(3) That the Government of India shall provide 85% and the State shall have to bear 15% of the project cost. With the use of this assistance it is expected that the State shall improve the operational efficiency of primary education system in these districts by way of providing additional physical amenities and special programmes for accelerating the pace of universalisation of education and reinforcing effective supervision and control over the administrative machinery.

In the first phase, Aurangabad, Nanded, Latur, Osmanabad, Parbhani and Hingoli were covered.

In the second phase, Gadchiroli, Jalna, Beed, Dhule and Nandurbar districts were included.

Details of the expenditure are as follows :—

70% amount on Project Programme

24% amount on the Construction

6% amount on Establishment

The project period is extended upto 30th June, 2003.

SECONDARY EDUCATION

27.13 The Secondary Education is by and large managed by private institutions and grant-in-aid is paid on the basis of the approved formula. The Secondary Schools which were initially permitted on no grant-in-aid basis will receive grant-in-aid as per following criteria :

No grant for the 1st four years 20% grant from the fifth year. 40% grant from the sixth year. 60% grant from the seventh year and 80% grant from eighth years 100% grant form ninth year.

However, the schools in tribal areas are eligible to receive 100 percent grant-in-aid from the Fifth year. The average rates of grants to be paid per school are given below :—

(A) 100 percent grant	...	Rs. 8.00 lakhs (approximately)
(B) 80 percent grant	...	Rs. 6.40 lakhs (approximately)
(C) 60 percent grant	...	Rs. 4.80 lakhs (approximately)
(D) 40 percent grant	...	Rs. 3.20 lakhs (approximately)
(E) 20 percent grant	...	Rs. 1.60 lakhs (approximately)

27.14 In the Tenth Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs.77126.02 lakhs is reserved for secondary education. An outlay of Rs.2871.46 lakhs is being provided for the following schemes in the Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Opening of New Non-Government Secondary Schools

27.15 For providing grant-in-aid to Non-Government Secondary Schools, an outlay of Rs.34137.38 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007. In the Annual Plan 2002-2003, an outlay of Rs.2560.37 lakhs is provided for this purpose.

Development and Expansion of Non-Government Secondary Schools

(Additional Divn)

In order to provide new divisions to accommodate the increasing number of students coming to the Secondary Schools from Primary Schools and also to reduce the additional recurring expenditure, Government has decided to apply the grant in aid formula applicable to secondary schools to there additional divisions also. So as per new formula no grant for first four years, 20% grant for fifth year and 100% grant from ninth year. The average rates of grants per division as per norms within financial limit are given below :-

- a) 20% grantRs. 0.20 lakhs (5th Year)
- b) 40% grantRs. 0.60 lakhs (6th Year)
- c) 60% grantRs. 0.90 lakhs (7th Year)
- d) 80% grantRs. 1.20 lakhs (8th Year)
- e) 100% grantRs. 1.50 lakhs (9th Year)

An outlay of Rs.6738.26 lakhs is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.714.76 lakhs.

Non-Government Secondary School-Appointment of non-teaching staff as per revised norms (Chiplunkar Samiti)

27.16 Various schemes are being implemented by the aided non-Government Secondary Schools which had laid pressure on the administration. The Chiplunkar Samiti was therefore appointed to take a review of non-teaching staff. Government approved the norms suggested by the Chiplunkar Samiti.

Grants to Zilla Parishads for construction of Buildings of Ex-Government Secondary Schools.

27.17 An outlay of Rs.-1296.35 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.137.51 lakhs is provided in Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Sainik Schools

27.18 The Government gives higher priority to setting up of two Sainik Schools in each Revenue Division. In Ninth Five Year Plan 16 schools are opened. An outlay of Rs.169.69 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.18.00 lakhs is provided in Annual Plan 2002-2003.

OTHER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

Educational Concession to Students

27.19 Under the other Educational Programme, the Department has proposed various educational concessions like E.B.C. concessions, free education to Girls upto XII standard and free Education of D. Ed. course to Girl students in the area where proportion of women-literacy is less, and concessions to wards of Ex-Servicemen, wards of primary teachers, secondary teachers and other staff etc. as shown below :—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sector/Sub-Sector (1)	Ninth Five Year Plan (1997-2002) Approved Outlay (2)	Annual Plan 2001-2002		Annual Plan 2002-2003 Outlay (5)	Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 Outlay (6)
		Approved Outlay (3)	Anticipated Expenditure (4)		
1 EBC concession to Wards of Ex-Servicemen	21.92	3.00	30.00	3.74	35.26
2 EBC concession to Wards of Primary Teachers	.....	14.56	14.56	29.83	281.22
3 Stipend to Tribal Students	882.76	184.89	242.19	294.80	2779.17
4 Free Education to Girls upto XIIth Std.	...	270.42	270.42	...	...
5 Free Education of D.Ed. to girls students where proportion of Women literacy is less.	.....	60.00	60.00	60.00	...

6	Free Education to Boys of granted institutions upto Xth Std.	1968.52	486.13	486.13	547.35	5160.03
7	Scholarships for middle and High School Students.	21.76	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	Educational Concessions to the Children of teaching and Non-teaching staff in Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools.	.....	13.01	13.01	26.97	254.25

Free education is provided to all students upto X Std. A reservation of 50% of the seats has been kept for Girls students for D.Ed. course where women literacy is lower than National level.

Bureau of Government Examinations, Pune, Grant-in-aid (S.L.S.)

27.20 Bureau of Government Examinations, Pune has been given an autonomy.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMME

27.21 As per the new Policy of Education 1986 the National Literacy Mission Authority was established to eradicate illiteracy within a specified time limit. The NLMA has prescribed detailed guidelines for the implementation of "Total Literacy Campaign" in the specified area.

The State Government has implemented " Total Literacy Campaign " in all districts of the State.

As per the financial pattern laid down by the NLMA / Government of India at present the cost per learner is expected to be Rs. 65 and Rs. 40 per literate in post Literacy Campaign. The Government of India bears 2/3 of the total project cost under the TLC and Post Literacy Programme and the State Government has to bear remaining 1/3rd expenditure. Under the Tribal Sector Government of India bears 4/5 of the total cost of the TLC & PLC projects and the State Government has to bear remaining 1/5th of the cost of the project.

27.22 As post literacy is essential to prevent the relapse into illiteracy the Central Government has started Post Literacy Programme. This Post Literacy Programme at present is being completed in the following is 15 districts —

(1) Wardha (2) Sindhudurg (3) Latur (4) Nanded (5) Pune (6) Jalna (7) Ratnagiri (8) Parbhani (9) Aurangabad (10) Hingoli (11) Beed (12) Osmanabad (13) Kolhapur (14) Ahmednagar (15) Yavatmal.

The Central Government has recently proposed a new scheme for neo Literates namely "Scheme of Continuing Education". The Central Government will bear 100% expenditure for first three years, thereafter for subsequent two years cost will be shared equally by Government of India and the State Government. An outlay of Rs.1725.20 lakhs is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and Rs.183.00 lakhs for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

N.C.C. Construction of Office Building for N.C.C. Offices

27.23 There are 64 Units working in the State. Most of these units are located in the rental premises. This has necessitated the construction of independent offices at places like Kolhapur, Aurangabad, Nagpur, Amravati and Solapur. An outlay of Rs.1250.00 lakhs is provided in the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.100.00 lakhs.

MAHARASHTRA CADET CORPS (S.L.S.)

27.24 For imparting N.C.C. training to the students studying in the VIII and IX standard in the State with a view to instill and develop a sense of leadership, social service and character qualities in them.

27.25 Total outlay for General Education Sector under School Education Department for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.236811.00 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs. 25127.37 lakhs. This includes T.S.P. of Rs.2670.34 lakhs, S.C.P.of Rs.2987.32 lakhs and Rs.13620.37 lakhs for schemes of District Planning Committee.

UNIVERSITY & HIGHER EDUCATION

Higher Education

27.26 The State has 12 Non-Agricultural Universities, 1183 Arts, Science, Commerce, Education and Law Colleges, 75 Research and Cultural Institutions and 4 Pre-I.A.S. Centres.

27.27 The State Government has taken a decision to give grant-in-aid to the selected non-Government colleges in the State as per the following criteria —

- (1) No Grant-in-aid will be paid to these affiliated colleges during the period of first three years.
- (2) Grant-in-aid for salary will be paid after three years as per following rates —
 - (a) Fourth Year, 25% of admissible expenditure.
 - (b) Fifth Year, 50 percent of admissible expenditure.
 - (c) Sixth Year, 75% of admissible expenditure.
 - (d) Seventh Year and thereafter 100 percent of admissible expenditure.
 - (e) Women's Colleges and colleges situated in tribal area, 100 percent of admissible expenditure after completion of three years.

27.28 The number of Government Colleges are 21 and there are 4 Institutions of Science directly conducted by the Governemnt.

The bulk of institutions of higher education in the State are managed by Registered Societies and Public Trusts. As to the funding of these privately managed higher education institutions, the majority receives substantial assistance from Government by way of grant-in-aid. Thus, this is an highly subsidised area where necessary steps are being taken to scale down subsidies gradually. The system of higher education, therefore, would have to be described as "Privately Managed" but funded by Government through grant-in- aid.

Strengthening of the Directorate of Higher Education

27.29 The need of the additional staff has arisen as a result of increase in the number of non-Government Colleges, to maintain GPF accounts of teaching and non-teaching staff of non-Government Colleges. Outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.645.00 lakhs for strengthening the Directorate. Outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.10.00 lakhs.

Matching Grants to Universities

27.30 Every year State Government has to provide prescribed share to the Universities for completion of construction works approved by University Grants Commission. Non-agricultural Universities are also paid grant-in-aid for salary. These Universities have to cater to the needs of growing number of students by opening of new faculties/departments. An outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.145.00 lakhs. Outlay for a Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.10.00 lakhs.

In addition the State Government also provides grants to Universities for campus development. This includes items such as electrification, water supply, construction of approach roads, compound walls, etc. Outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.50.00 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.30.00 lakhs.

Amravati University

27.31 An Outlay of Rs. 200.00 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 for the development of Amravati University. In Annual Plan 2002-2003 the provision of Rs.5.00 lakhs has been kept.

Estt. of University at Nanded & Sub-Centre at Solapur, Ratnagiri & Gadchiroli

27.32 For developmental activities of the sub-centres of Universities at Solapur, Ratnagiri and Gadchiroli provision of Rs.500.00 lakhs is kept in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.10.00 lakhs.

Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University

27.33 The Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University at Nashik was established in July 1989. The total estimated cost of establishment of the Open University is about Rs.9.50 crores. An outlay of Rs.60.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.2.00 lakhs is provided in Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune

27.34 An outlay of Rs. 50.00 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.1.00 lakhs is provided in Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Northern Maharashtra University, Jalgaon

27.35 This University caters to Jalgaon and Dhule districts. An outlay of Rs.300.00 lakhs is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.10.00 lakhs.

Kavi Kulguru Kalidas Sanskrit University, Ramtek, Nagpur

27.36 A provision of Rs.100.00 lakhs is provided in Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007. The outlay for 2002-2003 is Rs.15.00 lakhs.

Expansion of Deccan College

27.37 The Deccan College Pune working in the field of linguistic and archeology has also been granted the status of deemed university by the University Grants Commission. An outlay of Rs.145.00 lakhs is approved for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.50.00 lakhs.

Starting of Girls Hostel in Talukas (Priyadarshani Hostels)

27.38 To ensure the safety of girls taking education in the rural educational institutions, it is proposed to construct girls hostels initially having 50 intake capacity at each taluka place. With a view to reducing the cost of operation and maintenance of these hostels, it is proposed to entrust the management of these hostels, to the voluntay agencies by paying grants to them as per grant-in-aid formula sanctioned by Government. An outlay of Rs. 890.00 lakhs is provided in the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay for 2002-2003 is Rs.6.00 lakhs.

Eklavya Scholarship Scheme

27.39 The scheme provides financial assistance to scholar but economically weaker students to enable them to undertake their post-graduation. The amount of assistance is Rs. 5000/- per student per year. The eligibility conditions are that the student should have secured 70% and 60% marks in the degree examination in science and other (non-science) disciplines respectively and that income of his parents should be less than Rs. 35000/- per annum. About 290 subjects under Science, Arts, Commerce and Education disciplins are covered under Eklavya Scholarship Scheme. An Outlay of Rs1250.00 lakhs is provided during 2002-2007 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.42.00 lakhs.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

National Service Scheme

27.40 The National Service Scheme, which is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, aims at involving university students in various social services and developmental activities in rural areas, side by side with their normal studies. The rate of expenditure per student per year for regular programme is Rs. 120/- and for special camping programme Rs. 200/-. These rates are revised by Government of India from the year 2000-2001 as Rs. 160/- and Rs. 300/- respectively. The expenditure on the scheme is being borne by the Central Government and State Government in the ratio of 7:5. An outlay of Rs.900.00 lakhs is provided during the Tenth Five Year Plan and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.25.84 lakhs.

The total outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan is Rs.19762.00 lakhs is provided for Higher Education sub-sector along with Rs.900.00 lakhs provision for National Service Scheme. For Annual Plan 2002-2003 approved outlay is Rs.1362.17 lakhs.

27.41 The total outlay of Rs.26489.54 lakhs is provided for "General Education" Sector for Annual Plan 2002-2003. This includes TASP outlay of Rs.2670.34 lakhs and SCP share of Rs.2987.32 lakhs.

II. TECHNICAL EDUCATION (PART I)

Polytechnics and Engineering Colleges

27.42 The outlay provided for "Technical Education Part-I" for the Tenth Five Year Plan, 2002-2007, outlay and anticipated Expenditure for Annual Plan 2001-2002 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sr. No.	Sub-Sector (1)	Ninth Five Year Plan 1997-2002 Outlay (2)	Annual Plan 2001-2002		Annual Plan 2002-2003 Approved Outlay (5)	Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 Outlay (6)
			Approved Outlay (3)	Anticipated Expenditure (4)		
(7)						
1	Direction and Administration	310.00	.....	.....	.....	40.00
2	Polytechnics and Institutions	8554.00	1667.25	1667.25	2040.39	7133.00
3	Engineering Colleges and Institutions	7780.00	307.75	307.75	2472.23	26414.00
4	Other Programmes	50.00	25.00	25.00	31.38	250.00
5	World Bank Aided Project	13112.00	979.00	979.00	.....	.....
	Total ...	29806.00	2979.00	2979.00	4544.00	33837.00

Thrust area for the Plan

27.43 The thrust areas in the field of technical education are improvement in the curricula of Engineering Education so as to make it relevant to the industrial and social needs, appropriate formal and non-formal programmes in technical education for the benefit of women, handicapped and economically and socially weaker sections. There is also a need for weeding out the obsolescence in the infrastructure facilities of technical institutions, promotion of qualitative improvement, introduction of educational facilities in the areas of emerging hi-technologies and implementation of the entire system of technical education in an organised manner directed towards relevance and excellence. In addition, emphasis needs to be placed on such areas as computer education for all, entrepreneurship development, introduction of community polytechnics for uplifting the rural areas, promotion of innovative research and development, continuing education and distance learning for those who have not had an opportunity of formal training and also for those who need retraining to face the challenges of a developing industrial world.

27.44 The above thrust areas have been grouped into the following sub-groups —

- (i) Efficiency of the System.
- (ii) Linkage of Technical Education with employment,
- (iii) Diversification and removal of regional imbalance,

- (iv) Technical Education for women, SC / ST / VJNT,
- (v) Management and Administrative support,
- (vi) Continuing Education and retraining programme.

Expansion of board of Technical Examination and Regional Offices—

27.45 The main function of the Board of Technical Examination is to conduct various examinations leading to Diploma and Post-Diploma Courses. Consequent upon the policy decision taken by the Government to allow private management to start Diploma level courses on no-grant basis, the workload of Board of Technical Examinations has increased tremendously. In order to cope up with large number of examinations, the Board of Technical Examination needs to be strengthened by establishing Regional Offices and by appointing technical and supporting staff at Central and Regional Offices.

Programmes for Government Polytechnics

Removal of deficiencies in staff equipment and building (Strengthening and Consolidation of existing Institutions)—

27.46 The outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is Rs.1000.00 lakhs and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 is Rs.27.71 lakhs.

World Bank Aided Project —

27.47 A World Bank Aided Project with a total project cost of Rs. 265.24 crores has been completed in October, 1999. For improving standard of Technical Education it is proposed to start Sub sector Development Programme in four Engineering colleges and eight polytechnic in Maharashtra, with the help of world bank assistance. Besides Exsert Bank of Austria offered C Technology for networking between engineering colleges and polytechnics of state so that advance and update technology can be made available to students and industries by way of practical. Rs.122.00 cores financial assistance in term of loan will be available to State. Besides that for improving standard of technology, manpower, the grant-in-aid will made availbe Japan Government.

Modernisation of Equipment/ machinery

27.48 It is absolutely necessary to replace the old wornout and obsolete equipment in the Government polytechnics by sophisticated modern equipment.

Capacity Expansion of Government Polytechnics (Backlog Schemes)

27.49 The backlog of seats worked out by the Fact Finding Committee is being removed by establishing new Government Polytechnics and increasing the intake capacity of the existing Polytechnics.

Construction of Hostel for Girl students

27.50 Considering the increased number of girl students seeking admission to Engineering and Technical Courses, it is imperative to provide residential accommodation for girl students where girl students from Polytechnics and technical institutions at Degree and Diploma level Courses can be accommodated. These facilities will attract more girl students seeking admission to Technical Education, especially from rural areas. An outlay of Rs.230.00 lakhs is provided during Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007.

Programmes for Engineering Colleges

27.51 **Deficiency of machinery and Staff.**— At present there are six Government Engineering Colleges at Pune, Karad, Aurangabad and Amravati. Gadchiroli and Jalgaon. These Colleges are affiliated to their respective Universities, which update their curriculum periodically and consequently the workload of different departments in Engineering Colleges increases. Besides, deficiency of non teaching staff is also felt from time to time. An amount of Rs.950.00 lakhs has been provided during Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.98.72 lakhs is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Expansion of facilities for Technical Education (Establishment of Engineering College).

27.52 An amount of Rs.3700.00 lakhs has been provided during Tenth Five Year Plan and an outlay of Rs.39.14 lakhs is provided in Annual Plan 2002-2003.

AUTONOMY ENGG. COLLEGES

27.53 An outlay of Rs.5000.00 lakhs is provided during Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007.

Development of facilities for Degree courses in Pharmacy

27.54 With a view to provide facilities of Degree courses in Pharmacy with 30 intake capacity, the Government College of Pharmacy functions at Karad. In order to provide building and machinery equipment, etc.

Construction of Hostel for girls

27.55 Considering increased number of girl students seeking admission to Engineering and Technical Courses, it is imperative to provide residential accommodation for girl students. An amount of Rs.230.00 lakhs has been provided during 2002-2007.

Establishment of Technological University

27.56 With a view to co-ordinating the Technical Education at State Level, the Government has established a Technological University at Lonare in Mangaon Taluka, District Raigad, under the 40-Point Programme (Development of Konkan Region). The aim of establishing this University is to promote advanced knowledge in Engineering Technology, Applied Sciences and to give an impetus to research and dissemination of knowledge in these faculties and promote the transference of Technology in the backward regions. An outlay of

Rs.2037.00 lakhs has been provided during Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007. An outlay of Rs.1000.00 lakhs is provided for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

27.57 A total outlay of Rs.4544.00 lakhs is meant for the “ Technical Education Part-I ” (Polytechnics Engineering Colleges etc.) for Annual Plan 2002-2003. This includes provision of Rs.3244.00 lakhs for “Removal of backlog”.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION (PART II)

Introduction

27.58 In Maharashtra State, the Scheme of Vocationalisation of Education is being implemented at 3 different levels i.e. Pre-S.S.C. Level. Vocational Education at +2, (bifocal) and Minimum Competency Based Vocational Courses under New Education Policy. In addition, there are limited Skill Certificate courses conducted by the Maharashtra State Board of Vocational Examinations for out of school students.

27.59 For effective implementation of the Vocationalisation of Education, the following thrust areas have been identified :—

- (i) Efficiency of the System
- (ii) Linkage of Technical Education with employment
- (iii) Technical Education for Women, SC/ST/VJNT.
- (iv) Management and Administrative support.
- (v) Change in curriculum as per needs for self employment.

The schemewise details are given in the following paragraphs —

District Vocational Education and Training Offices

27.60 The Government of India has envisaged the strengthening of the District Units, to ensure the effective implementation of the New Education Policy. It is proposed to create adequate number of posts for District Vocational Education and Training Offices, it is also proposed to provide Mini Computer to the District Vocational Education and Training Offices in a phased manner. For this purpose, an outlay of Rs.125.00lakhs has been provided during Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.55.00 lakhs is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Strengthening of Board of Vocational Examinations

27.61 In the State, there are about 3000 institutions running Certificate and Allied vocational courses. The examination of more than 1,00,000 students in more than 90 courses are conducted by the Board every year. The work of conducting Examination of Certificate and Allied Vocational Courses is voluminous and complicated. With a view to having an effective implementation of the New Education Policy, and conducting examinations for freshly identified need based vocational courses, it is necessary to strengthen the existing Board. With a view to conduct the examinations smoothly it is necessary to provide adequate staff,furniture and office equipment to the Board. For creating all these facilities in the Board of Vocational Examinations, an outlay of Rs.50.00 lakhs has been provided during

Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 and outlay of Rs.150.00 lakhs is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

New Education Policy and the Plan of Action :

(Introduction of Vocationalisation at +2 Stage (C.S.P.))

27.62 Main emphasis in the New Education Policy is on the expansion of the Vocational Education Programme to the level of 25 per cent of the students undergoing education at +2 Stage in Maharashtra upto the year 2000. The present percentage of coverage of the students under the Vocationalisation of Education comes to 10.35 percent.

As per the New Education Policy and the Plan of Action prepared by the Government of Maharashtra on the lines of the NCERT Pattern, full competency based courses at +2 Stage have been introduced under which the contents of the Vocational Education are upto 70 percent of the total curriculum.

The New Education Policy Programme is being implemented in Maharashtra State from 1988-89 and since then about 48900 seats have been introduced in the 806 institutions (both Government and non-Government aided) to conduct the vocational courses. An Outlay of Rs. 644.00 lakhs has been provided during Annual Plan 1997-2002 for these additional seats. An outlay of Rs. 151.04 lakhs is provided for Annual Plan 2000-2001 and outlay of Rs. 621.05 lakhs is approved for Annual Plan 2001-2002.

27.63 Vocational Education is imparted at Secondary School level in the State in Std.VIII, IX and X. At the Government level there are 117 schools excluding the 3 Zilla Parishad Schools, for which allocations are required to be made for the various items such as acquisition of land, construction of buildings, deficiency in equipment etc. Out of these 117 schools, 111 schools are run on subjects allotted by Government of India. This enables the Government to utilise the infrastructural facilities at the optimum level, thereby reducing the per capita cost. On an average, the per capita recurring expenditure per year of a technical high-school centre having 500 students (which is the economic strength for a centre) works out to Rs.1000 per student. This does not take into account the capital and non-recurring expenditure on the infrastructural facilities.

Out of the 248 Non-Government Schools imparting Technical Education, 226 schools receive grant-in-aid from the Government and 22 schools are running, on no grant basis. The per capita expenditure in Non-Government Schools is more (on account of Building rent and Maintenance grant), which is approximately Rs.1,500 per student per year.

Minimum Competency based Vocational Courses

27.64 The New Educational Policy lays stress on vocationalisation of education at +2 level of education. This is with a view to provide skill oriented training to youths to divert them from University education to world of work.

In line with this national Policy on Education, Minimum Competency based Vocational courses, numbering 31 have been started in Maharashtra in various Junior Colleges.

The teaching pattern has been evolved by Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education. Each course contains theory and practicals related to the subject, two languages

and foundation course. The exams. are conducted by Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Examination Board. Stress is given on skill training and every student has to study for 6 papers during two years. 70 per cent of total time is allotted for the vocational subjects.

Central assistance is received for this programme, according to the pattern of assistance, 75 per cent of salaries of approved staff and 100 per cent assistance for raw material at an average rate of Rs.300 per student per year is given by government of India for the period of five year plan outlay. One time assistance at the rate of Rs. 1,00,000 per course is given for procurement of equipment and equal amount for building.

27.65 The total outlay for “Technical Education Part-II (Vocationalisation)” is Rs.3058.00 lakhs for Tenth Five Year Plan and Rs.2255.41 lakh for Annual Plan 2002-2003. This includes TSP share Rs.64.41-lakhs, SCP share of Rs.7.04 lakhs.

27.66 Total outlay of Rs. 36895.00 lakhs is provided for ‘ Technical Education ’ Sector for Tenth Five Year Plan and Rs.6799.41 lakhs for Annual Plan 2002-2003. This includes TSP outlay of Rs.64.41 lakhs, SCP Rs.7.04 lakhs and provision of Rs.4996.00- lakhs for Backlog..

III SPORTS AND YOUTH WELFARE

27.67 Physical Education and Sports have become an integral part of the educational system of our country for the promotion of which, both the Central and the State Government take keen interest. The main objective of Physical Education and Sports is to ensure all round development of youth which is necessary for preparing good citizens.

With a view to promoting and popularising games both in urban and rural areas and to developing youth welfare activities, the State Government has set up a separate Directorate of Sports and Youth Services.

The main objective of the Directorate of Sports and Youth Services is promotion of Sports and Youth Welfare in the State for which it undertakes the following activities —

- (1) Gives financial assistance for organisation of various youth welfare activities,
- (2) Gives financial assistance for construction of Swimming Pool, Stadium,
- (3) Organises sports competitions for students of Primary, Secondary Schools and Junior
- (4) Deputes State Teams for National and International level competitions.
- (5) Provides coaching facilities to urban and rural boys and girls.
- (6) Organises tournaments and leadership Training Camps for Tribal boys and girls.
- (7) Trains teachers in Physical Education and Sports.

An outlay of Rs.22845.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.11447.08 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Details of some of the major schemes are given below.

(1) Strengthening of the District Sports

27.68 With the increased emphasis on popularising sports, it is felt necessary to suitably strengthen the District Sports Offices by sanctioning additional staff and delegating powers wherever necessary for which an outlay of Rs.50.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.2.55 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(2) Financial Assistance for organisation of Social Service Camps

27.69 It is necessary to impart training to youth to channelise their energies for constructive activities and develop qualities of leadership amongst them. Voluntary Youth Organisations are encouraged to conduct Social Service Camps for youth, for which financial assistance up to Rs.25,000 or 50 per cent of the expenditure, whichever is less, is extended by Government. An outlay of Rs.175.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.81.52 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(3) Financial assistance to the Voluntary Youth Centres in Rural and Urban Areas.

27.70 Youth in the age group of 15 to 35 years constitute a large segment of the population which is a potential dynamic force. This force can be utilised easily in more purposeful activities. It is, therefore, necessary to give encouragement to the youth organisations established in rural and urban areas by way of financial assistance. Financial assistance upto Rs. 25,000 or 50 per cent of the expenditure, whichever is less is extended by Government. An outlay of Rs.175.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.98.75 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003..

(4) District Coaching programme and establishment of the District Coaching Centre

27.71 For tapping the talents of the sportsmen and sports women coaching facilities are proposed to be provided at the District level. It is necessary to provide sports equipments, coaches and suitable facilities to such coaching centres. An outlay of Rs.260.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.26.02 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(5) Grants for construction of Stadia

27.72 Minimum playing facilities are proposed to be provided at each district/ divisional headquarter under this scheme. Financial assistance ranging from Rs. 5 lakhs to Rs.20 lakhs for the district/divisional headquarter respectively, is being provided to the agencies coming forward for construction of stadia. As per prescribed norms 14 district have already been given their grants in District. For this purpose, an outlay of Rs.120.04 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs120.04 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(6) Financial Assistance for Development of Playgrounds

27.73 Educational Institutions and voluntary organisations are encouraged to come forward for development of grounds, construction of sanitary facilities, fencing, compound wall, store room etc. Financial assistance at the rate of 50 per cent of the estimated cost but limited to Rs. 1.00 lakh is given to such organisations. An outlay of Rs.854.96 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.202.55 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(7) Development of Playgrounds and Gymnasia at each village

27.74 In order to create awareness about sports in villages, it is necessary to develop playgrounds and gymnasia with adequate facilities. It is, therefore, proposed to establish gymnasia along with playgrounds at each village, for which financial assistance will be provided to the extent of 80 per cent of the estimated cost but limited to Rs. 1.00 lakhs to the educational institutions of the villages. An outlay of Rs.975.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.162.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(8) Establishment of Sports Complexes in the State

27.75 Government of Maharashtra has been decided to construct a full-fledged District Sports Complex at every District in the State. This complex has complete facilities for indoor as well as outdoor games and training. For this Government is provided Rs.2.00 crore grants for every District Sports Complex. Also Government is decided to construct the Divisional Sports Complex at Nagpur, Amravati & Aurangabad. An outlay of Rs.4800.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.2385.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(9) Grant -in-aid to registered sport bodies

27.76 There are about 2000 registered bodies which help in popularising sports amongst the masses both in rural and urban areas. The Grant in aid is extended to these sports bodies through the sport council mainly for maintenance, purchase of sports equipment, development of ground, adventurous sports like mountaineering, trekking etc. An Outlay of Rs.300.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.60.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(10) Financial assistance for the construction of Swimming Pools

27.77 Since most of the districts do not have swimming pools, it is proposed to provide at least one swimming pool in each district through some local agency like Municipal Council etc. The agency undertaking this project receives 50 per cent of the estimated cost of the swimming pool or Rs.21.00 lakhs whichever is less as grant. The grant-in-aid is sanctioned into three instalments. An outlay of Rs.300.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.60.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(11) Financial Assistance for purchase of Artificial Surface

27.78 National and International Competitions are organised on artificial surfaces. For better achievement in particular disciplines i.e. Athletic, Hockey, Badminton, it is necessary to provide artificial surface. It is proposed to give financial assistance to the concerned Associations for the purchase of artificial surfaces. An outlay of Rs.2.50 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.0.50 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(12) Establishment of Wrestling Centre at Kolhapur

27.79 To promote and popularise the art of wrestling with modern technique State Government has established one regular wrestling centre at Kolhapur with all modern facilities. An outlay of Rs.67.50 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.0.50 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(13) Sports Authority of India West Zone Training Centre at Aurangabad.

27.80 Sports Institution at Patiala is at National Level which produce expert coaches in various disciplines every year. However, the entire need of the nation cannot be fulfilled by this Institution. Government of India and State Government agreed to provide facilities for N.I.S. West Zone Centre in Maharashtra at Aurangabad. The Government of Maharashtra has decided to provide funds to the extent of Rs. 2.00 crores in a phased manner to this institute.

(14) Sports University

27.81 In the Sports University, Boys and Girls under 14 years are selected and given intensive fitness and skill training. 11 centres are set up in different parts of the State to popularise Games and sports in that region. In order to meet the expenditure on maintenance, training, boarding, salary, equipment an outlay of Rs.1500.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.300.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(15) Free Travel facilities to Sports Awardees

27.82 With a view to honouring them, the Arjun/Dronacharya/Shivchatrapati/Dadoji Kondadev awardees are proposed to be given free travel facilities in the M.S.R.T.C. buses. Accordingly, an awardee will be eligible to travel free upto the limit of Rs. 500 per year within the State of Maharashtra. An outlay of Rs.7.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.1.50 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(16) Insurance Scheme of L.I.C. to Medal winner of National Competition

27.83 A player who represents the State in the National Competition will be insured for injuries costing upto Rs. 20,000 per person and the Government will bear the instalments. So that player will have security and safety cover and be in a position to give better performance.

(17) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ASHWA MEGH SPORTS COMPETITION

27.84 Government has decided to held Inter-University Sports Competitions named as “Ashwa Megh Sports Competition” per year in one University. Under this scheme a Gran-in-aid upto Rs.2.00 lakhs will be given by Government of Maharashtra. An outlay of Rs.10.00 lakh is for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.2.00 lakh is for the Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(18) Maintenance of Government Playground

27.85 It is very essential to protect our play ground from encroachment. Therefore, it is proposed to have fencing and upgradation of the playgrounds in the State including those in Mumbai viz. the Azad, Oval and Cross Maidans. An outlay of Rs.25.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.5.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(19) Chatrapati Shivaji Chashak Kabaddi Tournament

27.86 In order to encourage the local sport of kabaddi, an annual All-India Kabaddi tournament is held in collaboration with the Maharashtra State Association. Grant in-aid upto of Rs. 21.00 lakh will be given to the organising committee. For this an outlay of Rs.105.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.21.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(20) Late Khashaba Jadhav Chashak Wrestling Tournament

27.87 Khashaba Jadhav has been the only Olympian medalist with wrestling from Maharashtra. To commemorate his memory, an All-India tournament in wrestling is held every year. An outlay of Rs.100.00 lakh is provided for Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which Rs.20.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

(21) Schemes Under Sports policy 2001

27.88 Recently, Government of Maharashtra has announced a new State Sports Policy 2001. Under this new policy a various schemes are to be implemented for the sports development in the state. For this purpose an outlay of Rs.11493.00 lakhs is provided in the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007, out of which an outlay of Rs.7449.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

IV. ART AND CULTURE

27.89 Maharashtra has a rich and varied cultural heritage from traditional folklore to modern and experimental arts like drama, dance, music, painting, handicrafts etc. State Government has been pursuing the policy of not only preserving the cultural heritage but also promoting them as instruments of culture education and national pride. The main objective is to promote national pride and culture identity and foster greater understanding among the different groups and people.

27.90 The outlay for Ninth five Year Plan 1997-2002, Actual Expenditure for Annual Plan 1997-2001, outlay & Anticipated expenditure for Annual Plan 2001-2002 and outlay for Annual Plan 2002-2003 and Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 are indicated below —

(Rs.in lakhs)

Programme	NinthFive Year Plan 1992-2002	Annual Plan 1997-2001 Actual	Annual Plan 2001-2002		Annual Plan 2002-2003 Expenditure	Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 Outlay
			Outlay Expenditure	Anticipated		
Outlay (1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1. Art Education	500.00	190.65	69.53	48.00	70.00	400.00
2. Public Libraries	1250.00	1008.38	309.62	309.57	354.90	1587.00
3. Other Cultural Programme.	91.75	61.06	43.50	12.84	15.50	92.50
4. Archaeology and Museum	1555.75	215.69	200.17	144.82	221.37	1851.21
5. Cultural Programme	1852.50	1280.80	855.97	831.87	580.50	3302.29
6. Rajya Marathi Vikas Sanstha	10.00	67.84	30.00	13.02	30.00	165.00
7. Construction & Freedom fighter Smarak.	...	.....	10.00	7.24	5.00	35.00
Total	5260.00	2633.77	1518.79	1025.26	1277.27	7433.00

Art Education

27.91 There are 4 Government and 26 (19 Aided + 7 Non-aided) Government Art Institutions in the State which conduct Degree and Diploma courses in various art disciplines. It has now become essential to strengthen these institutions by providing modern equipments, machinery, trained personnel etc., so that they could effectively cater to the rapid changes in the technology and content of these courses. The present intake capacity of these Institutions are required to be increased as per natural growth.

27.92 At present 120 scholarships @ Rs. 25 to Rs. 75 are awarded to the students.

27.93 Outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.400.00 lakh, out of which Rs.70.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003 for Art Education.

Chitrakala Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur

27.94 The construction of Government building for Chitrakala Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur is to be completed in 3 phases. Two phases of the construction of this building is completed for third phase administrative approval is under consideration.

Cultural Programmes

27.95 Several programmes have been started to promote culture and to encourage the local and unknown artists to exhibit their talents. Some of the major schemes which have been taken up include preservation of music, drama, etc. through tape and video recording, folk art, Inter State exchange of cultural troupes, providing tamasha, music, financial assistance to various institutions and distinguished persons engaged in promotion and propagation of art and culture etc. Outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan is of Rs.5246.00 lakh, out of which Rs.817.37 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Kala Academy

27.96 In order to encourage and nurture cultural ethos of Maharashtra particularly in the field of art and culture Government has established a Kala Academy at Ravindra Natya Mandir Complex, Prabhadevi, Mumbai.

The Kala Academy is a venue of cultural meets and the Academy mainly includes-

- (i) A store house of data in myriad aspects of ancient and contemporary arts and crafts;
- (ii) A live Cultural Centre encouraging study, research and experimentation in various disciplines of performing arts and crafts to improve, enhance and enrich knowledge and expertise in these disciplines.
- (iii) To act as a Catalyst for synthesis of various arts disciplines and contemporary practices and views;
- (iv) To provide for all facilities so as to create a congenial atmosphere, and provide amenities, equipment, state of the Art technical support, for encouraging and rewarding efforts in the direction of above stated objectives.

The following faculties would be housed in the Academy-

- (i) Faculty of Music,
- (ii) Faculty of Art and Crafts
- (iii) Faculty of Dance,
- (iv) Auditorium,
- (v) Museum of Ancient and Contemporary Arts & Crafts
- (vi) Art Gallery

An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.40.00 lakh, out of which Rs.6.75 is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Construction District Theatre.

27.97 Drama theatres in 11 districts of the State at an estimated cost of Rs. 300.00 lakhs per theatre are taken up. An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.2100.00 lakh, out of which Rs.422.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Other Cultural Programmes :

Gujarati Acedemy

27.98 Gujarati Academy has been set up to promote literary talents in Gujarati language and to encourage exchange of creative ideas amongst writers and poets. For this, financial assistance is provided to prominent writers to publish books. Awards are given to prominent contributors to Gujarati Literature. An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.50.00 lakh, out of which Rs.7.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

State Board of Literature and Culture

27.99 This Board has been established with the objective of developing and modernising Marathi language and literature. The Board has undertaken the following two main schemes.

- (a) Publication of books in Marathi on various subjects such as science, fine arts, history, etc., and translation of classics from other languages in Marathi and making them available to readers at moderate prices. The Board has so far published 626 books of which 4 volumes are ready.
- (b) The Board has undertaken the programme of compiling and printing of Marathi Dictionary in 10 Volumes. Besides this, work of compilation of encyclopaedia of Marathi Literature in four Volumes has also been taken up by the Board . First Volume has been published. The second volume will be taken up for publishing shortly.

An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.25.75 lakh, out of which Rs.5.15 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Archaeology and Museum

27.100 One of the main functions of the Department of Archaeology is to declare monuments of State importance as protected ones and to look after them. About 50 proposals regarding declaration of important monuments, as protected are being declared as protected every year. Identification of important archaeological sites and areas, standardisation of conservation work and creation of new archaeological offices are taken up for which outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.861.21 lakh, out of which Rs.136.22 is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Development of Museums

27.101 The Directorate of Archaeology and Museum lays emphasis on acquisition of objects and display of articles in the various Museums in the State. Since these Museums have great educational value, the Directorate disseminates the same by proper conduct of visitors and lectures. The Government not only establishes its own museums but also provides funds for establishing non- Government museums as well. There are, at present, 13 Government owned museums in the State. Outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.990.00 lakh, out of which Rs.85.15 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Establishment of Santpeeth

27.102 The preaching of sainits is a rich,cultural heritage of Maharashtra. In order to preserve this cultural heritage it has ben decided to establish a Sant Vidyapeeth at Paithan. An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.600.00 lakh., out of which Rs.50.00 is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Public Libraries

27.103 In order to inculcate reading habits among the urban and rural people and to develop library movement in the State, Directorate of Libraries has been established. There are presently 13 Government and 6281 aided public libraries in the State. Public Libraries managed by voluntary organisations are paid grant-in-aid ranging from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 60,000 by Government as per their class and category. Public library can be established at any village having population of 500 or more. It is now proposed to strengthen the libraries at Taluka level and set up new libraries in the tribal areas by providing reading material in the languages known to the local people.

27.104 The Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Library at Dapoli is to be set up under the 40 Point Programme of Development for Konkan Region. Divisional Libraries at Amaravati is to be constructed. For this an outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.30.00 lakh, out of which Rs.10.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

Government district libraries in 22 districts with DPC provision for Tenth Five Year Plan is Rs.287.00 lakh, out of which Rs. 90.39 lakhs is the Annual Plan 2002-2003.

27.105 A State Central Library is proposed for which an outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.160.00 lakh, out of which Rs.35.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

RAJYA MARATHI VIKAS SANSTHA

27.106 Rajaya Marathi Vikas Sanstha is established on 1st May, 1992 with the aim and objective of development of Marathi language and culture. The Sanstha is an autonomous body and is registered under the Societies Act 1860 and the Public Trust Act 1950. The Sanstha has full financial support from the Government of Maharashtra and accordingly State Government is giving 100 percent grant-in-aid to this Sanstha.

The Sanstha is also trying to start certain projects of literary works, dictionary of words used in Dalit Literature and also organising seminars relating to development of Marathi language.

An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.165.00 lakh, out of which Rs.30.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

27.107 The scheme to preserve and conserve the Forts and Religious places of Historical and Cultural importance is being implemented. Fort Raigad, Pune and Shaniwar Wada, Pune have been taken up in the initial stage.

An outlay for the Tenth Five Year Plan 2002-2007 is of Rs.154.00 lakh., out of which Rs.28.00 lakh is for Annual Plan 2002-2003.