

CHAPTER XII

GENERAL SERVICES

11.1. JAILS

11.1.1 The Tenth Plan approved outlay for this sector was Rs. 800.00 Lakhs and the total actual expenditure of the Tenth Plan period was Rs. 367.31 Lakhs. The proposed outlay for the Eleventh Plan (2007-2012) is Rs. 1500.00 Lakhs and the approved outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-2008 was Rs. 175.00 Lakhs and the whole amount is anticipated to be spent in full. **The proposed outlay for 2008-09 is Rs. 220.00 Lakhs.**

11.1.2 The main objectives of the Jails sector is to complete the critical and on-going construction works and to further strengthen and upgrade the existing Security System of all the Jails, creation of various categories of posts in the Inspectorate and District Offices to strengthen manpower for smooth running of the jail administration. It is proposed to construct a separate building for the Inspectorate and also construction of staff quarters and new Jail buildings in the district headquarters. The Social Services Scheme is proposed to be strengthened further by the creation of Craft and Carpentry Instructor, to impart vocational training to the Jails Inmates and also to continue to create sufficient infrastructure to implement meaningfully the social services for correction and reformation of prison inmates. For strengthening of Jail Services more training facilities will be provided for the Jail Officers and Security Personnel and purchase of training equipments. Improvement and modernization of the Security System will also be continued. Strengthening and improvement of Medical Care in the existing Jails Hospitals will also be continued and it is proposed to create more posts of the Para-Medical Staff in all functional Jails of the State. Construction of the Shillong District Jail was approved at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.86 Crores (ACA) out of which Rs. 250.00 Lakhs was from One Time A.C.A. of 2002-03, however due to higher rates of Phase- I & II works and for updating the balance works from the schedule of Rates 2000-02 to 2004-05, the cost has now been raised to Rs. 13.05 Crores, hence the need to provide fund for the revised amount.

11.1.3 The programmes and broad schematic outlays proposals for the Annual Plan 2008-09 are shown in the Table below:-

Sl. no	Schemes	10 th Plan (2002-07)	10 th Plan Anticipated Expenditure	11 th Plan (2007-12)	Annual Plan 2007-08	Anticipated Expenditure 2007-08	Annual Plan 2008-09
1.	Upgradation of the standard of Jail Administration under 11 Finance Commission	79.17	79.14	-	-	-	-
2	Direction and Administration	9.20	-	131.00	11.00	11.00	8.00
3	Strengthening of Jail Services & Security including Armed Branch	84.86	75.33	225.00	40.00	40.00	53.00
4	Strengthening of Jail Services including Training and Training Equipments	3.00	1.77	5.00	1.00	1.00	3.00

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5	Improvement and modernization of Security System	10.00	8.55	34.00	12.00	12.00	18.00
6	Strengthening & Improvement of Medical Care	15.00	5.39	20.00	5.00	5.00	8.00
7	Purchase of warder uniforms	2.00	-	10.00	2.00	2.00	4.00
8	Jails Manufacture, Manufacture of furniture etc	10.00	7.70	20.00	4.00	4.00	6.00
9	Facilities to jail inmates	2.85	2.07	5.00	-	-	-
10	Completion of Jail Buildings (Outstanding Liabilities)	0.50	-	-	-	-	-
11	4059-Capital Outlay on Public Works-Functional Residential buildings	533.42	186.11	1050.00	100.00	100.00	120.00
12	Addl. Amount transferred from C.S. Schemes	50.00	1.25	-	-	-	-
	Total	800.00	367.31	1500.00	175.00	175.00	220.00

11:2 PRINTING AND STATIONERY

11:2. 1 The Proposed Eleventh Plan outlay (2007-12) for this sector is Rs. 1500.00 lakhs. The Approved outlay for Annual Plan 2007-08 for Govt. Press at Shillong and Tura including Meghalaya Legislative Assembly Press is Rs. 175.00 lakhs which is expected to be utilised in full and the Proposed Outlay for Annual Plan 2008-09 is Rs.220.00 lakhs. Out of the projected Tenth Plan Outlay (2002-07) of Rs. 500.00 lakhs the total expenditure is Rs. 449.40 lakhs.

11. 2. 2. The Government Press at Shillong and Tura are entrusted with printing works like official gazettes, audit reports, pamphlets brochures etc. The Government Book Depot under this sector is responsible for distribution of official gazettes and sale of Government Publications. The Stationery Wing is responsible for supply of Stationery articles to the Government Offices. On recommended by the Technical Experts Modernization of Government Press is to be taken up in phased manner. The programme proposed during 2008-09 include modernization and strengthening of the two Government Presses at Shillong and Tura. These are mainly for Press Administration, Machineries & Equipments and Construction of Building.

11. 2. 3. The principal aim of the Assembly Press is to serve the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly Secretariat in its various kinds of printing and publication works in day to day activities and also greatly involves printing works during Assembly sessions. The functioning of the office, in terms of man power and infrastructure has attained a certain stage of

improvement, but however, effort is required to increase and enhance the over all infrastructure development.

11.2.4 The proposed outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-09 is Rs. 220.00 lakhs of which the break up is indicated below:-

Rs in lakhs.

Sl. No.	Name of Press	Projected 11 th Plan 2007- 12 outlay	Annual Plan 2007-08		Proposed Annual Plan 2008-09
			Approved Outlay	Anticipated Expenditure	
1.	Govt. Press at Shillong and Tura	1000.00	140.00	140.00	150.00
2.	Meghalaya Legislative Assembly	500.00	35.00	35.00	70.00
	Total	1500.00	175.00	175.00	220.00

12.3 PUBLIC WORKS (G.A.D. BUILDINGS)

12.3.1. The schemes under this sector are implemented by GAD through the Public Works Department (Building Wing) which is the main executing Agency of different Government Departments in the State for building infrastructure including construction of Government Administrative Buildings and staff quarters in different parts of the State. The major schemes for construction of Meghalaya Houses outside the State particularly in the metropolitan cities like Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, Vellore and Guwahati for providing accommodation facilities to VIPs as well as the officers and students who go out of the State on official visits, studies and medical treatment are to be completed within the stipulated time as per the MOU.

12.3.2. **The proposed outlay for this sector for the Eleventh Plan is Rs.12000.00 lakhs and the approved outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-2008 is Rs. 1850.00 lakhs.** The Outlay proposed during the 11th Five Year Plan includes requirement for completion of the spilled over schemes from the 10th Five Year Plan, new minor schemes and for new major proposals. The approved outlay for the Tenth Plan in respect of Public Works (G.A.D.Buildings) is Rs.3000.00 Lakhs. The actual expenditure incurred during the Plan period is Rs. 2838.12 lakhs.

12.3.3. The proposed outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is **Rs.2315.00 lakhs** and the major schemes under Public Works (G.A.D.Buildings) are indicated in the Table below:-

(Rs.in Lakhs)				
Sl. No.	Name of Schemes	Estimated Cost	Approved Outlay for Annual Plan 2007-08	Proposed Outlay for Annual Plan 2008-09
1	Construction of Meghalaya House at Mumbai	530.64	}	28.00
2	Construction of Meghalaya House at Vasant Vihar New Delhi	941.15		300.00

Sl. No	Name of Schemes	Estimated Cost	Approved Outlay for Annual Plan 2007-08	Proposed Outlay for Annual Plan 2008-09
3	Construction of Residential cum Commercial complex at 9 th Anandilal Poddar Kolkata	2450.00	750.00	700.00
4	Acquisition of land at Mayur Bhanj Complex Shillong	1800.00	750.00	500.00
5	Construction of State Convention Centre	1000.27	} 350.00	600.00
6	Improvement and Renovation works at Mayur Bhanj Complex Shillong	175.58		25.00
7	Converting of Coal boiler heating system into diesel system at Myntdu.	33.63		20.00
8	Providing digital conferencing system for the Yojana Bhavan conference room	76.73		20.00
9	Minor Spill Over Schemes	-		52.00
10	New Schemes	-		50.00
11	Extension of Circuit house at Sohra	86.57	-	10.00
12	Extension of Circuit house at Nongpoh	76.05	-	10.00
	Total	7170.62	1850.00	2315.00

11.4 MEGHALAYA ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING INSTITUTE

11.4.1 The Tenth Plan approved Outlay for Meghalaya Administrative Training Institute (MATI) was Rs. 100.00 lakhs. The proposed outlay for the 11th Plan is Rs.150.00 lakhs. The approved outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-08 is Rs.46.84 lakhs which is expected to be utilized in full. **An outlay of Rs.60.00 lakhs is proposed for the Annual Plan 2008-09.**

11.4.2 The Meghalaya Administrative Training Institute (MATI) was established in the year 1989. The Institute is imparting induction courses for Civil Services Officers and other Heads of Department. Training programmes are also conducted for UDAs and LDAs of the Secretariat Service, Staff of the Heads of Departments and District Offices. The Institute is also offering training in computers for officers and staff of the Secretariat, Head of Departments in collaboration with the National Informatics Centre (NIC) Shillong. Government of India's sponsored Training programmes are also being conducted annually. MATI is the State Implementing Agency for conducting training on Access to Information. Hence training on the Right for Information is being conducted at the State Level and also the District Levels. In collaboration with the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), the Institute is also conducting training on Human Rights Issues. Further, the Institute in collaboration with the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM), is conducting training on Disaster Management for Government Officials, NGOs, Local Representatives, Head of Educational Institutions, etc.

11.4.3 The main problem being encountered by the Institute is the lack of Hostel facilities, as result of which conducting training programmes of longer duration of all out

station employees created hardship for the trainees as they have to make their own arrangement for stay. To mitigate this problem land approximately 5 acres have been allotted and identified by the Urban Affairs Department at Mawdiangdiang for the purpose of constructing the training Institute including the hostel and other facilities. It is expected that construction of the new administrative building Hostel and Staff Quarters is likely to be achieved now, that is during this 11th Plan period.

11.5. FIRE PROTECTION

11.5.1 The Approved Tenth Five Year Plan (2002-07) Outlay for Fire Protection and Control was Rs.800 lakhs.and the actual expenditure incurred was Rs 489.29 lakhs. **The Projected Outlay for the Eleventh Plan is Rs 1500.00 lakhs The Approved Outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-08 is Rs.125.00 lakhs and the amount is expected to be utilized in full. The proposed outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is Rs 160.00 lakhs**

11.5.2 Since Fire and Emergency Service Personnel are engaged in fire fighting, search and rescue works, it has been emphasized to procure more modernized fire-fighting equipments and appliances. Considering the important role played by Fire Service, the Department intends to take up construction works and purchase of vehicles for smooth functioning of the Department.

11.5.3 The present status of Meghalaya Fire and Emergency Service sanctioned strength is 881 whereas an accommodation facility has been provided for only 112 personnel. As such more attention is required to improve the accommodation infrastructure for the development of the Fire and Emergency Service.

11.6. JUDICIARY

11.6.1. The Projected Outlay for Judiciary Buildings during the Tenth Plan (2002-2007) was Rs 1010.00 lakhs and the actual expenditure was Rs 294.26 lakhs.The Projected Outlay for the Eleventh Plan(2007-2012) is Rs 1200.00 lakhs. The Approved Outlay for 2007-2008 is Rs 125.00 lakhs and the amount is expected to be utilized in full. The proposed outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is Rs 160.00 lakhs.

11.6.2. Besides construction of Judiciary Buildings, the State Government have also constituted Fast Track Courts in Shillong, Tura and Jowai from the year 2002 under the Award of the Eleventh Finance Commission. These Fast Track Courts will continue for another period of 5 years up to the 31st March, 2010. However, the expenditure is now being met from the Non-Plan.

11.6.3. The main component of infrastructure under this sector is construction of Permanent High Court building within the State Capital. The total expenditure upto 31.12.2007 is Rs 556.80 lakhs against the revised administrative approval of Rs 935.16 lakhs.The physical progress of the construction work is 68 % and is expected to be completed by March, 2008.

11.7 POLICE FUNCTIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS

11.7.1 The Approved outlay for Police Functional & Administrative Buildings for the Tenth Plan period (2002-2007) was Rs 500.00 lakhs and the actual expenditure incurred was Rs.500.80 lakhs . **The Projected Outlay for the Eleventh Plan is Rs 1500.00 lakhs . The Approved Outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-2008 is Rs 125.00 lakhs and the amount is expected to be utilized in full, The Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is Rs 160.00 lakhs.**

11.7.2 During the year 2006-2007, construction of CO's Office, Armoury with Guard Room, QM Branch with Store Room for 4th MLP Bn at Lumsohpian were taken up. During 2007-2008, Extension of CO's Office, Police Reserve Office building, Police Outpost building, Repeater Station and 36 units Barracks are being taken up. The new schemes proposed for 2008-2009 are construction of CO's office, QM Branch Armoury and Drill Shed.

11.8 HOME GUARDS AND CIVIL DEFENCE

11.8.1 Home Guards and Civil Defence has been made a separate sector from the second year of the Tenth Plan i.e from the year 2003-2004. The actual expenditure for the Tenth Plan was Rs 66.24 lakhs. The Projected Outlay for the Eleventh Plan (2007-2012) is Rs 2500.00 lakhs. The Approved Outlay for 2007-2008 is Rs 150.00 lakhs and the amount is expected to be utilized in full. The Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is Rs 200.00 lakhs.

11.8.2 For the purpose of construction of the Headquarter Complex, land had been provided by the Government at Mawdiangdiang and construction of the building has been completed. The Department also intends to construct staff quarters and quarters for officers and Barracks at an estimate cost of Rs. 900.00 lakhs. Proposals to establish 3(three) District Home Guards Offices in West Khasi Hills at Nongstoin, Ri-Bhoi District at Nongpoh and East Garo Hills at Williamnagar are under active consideration of the Government. It is considered essential to obtain funds under the State Plan for construction of Staff Quarters at Tura at a tentative cost of Rs.400.00 lakhs and also funds for construction of Office Buildings and Staff Quarters, etc. on the land at Jowai with an estimated cost of Rs. 900.00 lakhs.

11.8.3 In recent times, the context of Disaster Management has assumed great significance. The Central Training Institute, Civil Defence & Home Guards has been made a Nodal Training Institute for Training of Trainees in Disaster Management. The State Government has entrusted the tasks of raising Search and Rescue Teams to the Civil Defence and Home Guards Department. Apart from raising these specialized teams, training of volunteers at the State, District and Village levels in matters of preparedness response and mitigation will be important roles that this Department will have to perform in the future. This task not only calls for purchase and maintenance of specialised equipments but also requires constant updating of skills for both the trainers and trainees. For this purpose, sufficient funds will be required under the State Plan at an estimated cost of Rs 300.00 lakhs.

11.9. TREASURIES

11.9.1 The State Plan Projected Outlay for the Eleventh Plan(2007-2012) is Rs250.00 lakhs. The Approved Plan Outlay for 2007-2008 is Rs50.00lakhs.The Eleventh Finance Commission awarded a grant of Rs100.00 lakhs for Fiscal Administration for computerization and modernization of Treasuries .During the year 2007-2008 Treasury Net Application has been introduced initially in Shillong South Treasury, Shillong District Treasury and will also be taken up in Jowai Treasury to maximize the benefit derived from Back-end Automation to online Computerisation. An amount of Rs50.00 lakhs is expected to be utilized for procurement of necessary additional hardware and power back-up system.

11.9.2 The Proposed Outlay for the Annual Plan (2008-2009) is Rs 65.00 lakhs.A sum of Rs50.00lakhs is proposed for the ongoing Online Computerization of Treasuries and a sum of Rs15.00 lakhs for opening of new Sub- Treasuries at Dadengiri and Amlarem.

The broad break- up of the proposed outlay for Treasuries during the 11th Plan and the Annual Plan 2008-2009 is as indicated below :-

Item	Programmes	Proposed Outlay (Rs. In lakhs)		
		11 th Plan 2007-2012	Annual Plan 2007-08	Annual Plan 2008-09
1.	Computerisation of Treasuries	150.00	35.00	35.00
2.	Modifications/Improvement of Treasury Buildings for Computerisation.	100.00	15.00	15.00
3	Opening of New Treasuries			15.00
	Total:-	250.00	50.00	65.00

11.10. STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUILDING

11.10.1 The site of the new State Legislative Assembly as decided earlier at Mawdiangdiang by the High Power Committee has now been shifted to a new site at Upper Shillong. As per Cabinet's decisions, GAD is the nodal agency for the construction of the new State Legislative Assembly at Shillong, and the executing body will be the State's PWD (Buildings). The estimated cost for construction of the new State Legislative Assembly Building is Rs.2157.51 lakhs. An Additional Central Assistance of Rs.500.00 lakhs has been sanctioned by the Planning Commission for the purpose during the Annual Plan 2002-03. Over and above the estimated cost for construction of the building, a sizeable amount would be required for other infrastructural support of the new State Legislative Assembly Building. As such, **an amount of Rs. 2500.00 Lakhs is proposed during the 11th Plan period and the approved outlay for the Annual Plan 2007-08 is Rs. 100.00 lakhs. The proposed outlay for 2008-09 is Rs.125.00 lakhs.**

11.11 DISASTER MANAGEMENT

11.11.1 Disaster Management is a new subject that has given an important and prominent position in governance in the developed countries. The Government of India has also recently given due importance to this new subject of Disaster Management following the experiences of repeated occurrences of high magnitude disaster in the country such as Massive Gujarat Earthquake of January 2001 and Orissa Super cyclone of October 1999.

11.11.2 The Government of Meghalaya has also attached great importance and attention to this great subject, in view of the fact the state is an earthquake prone area which falls under zone 5 category, as such on the 2nd March 2006, Revenue Department has been renamed as “Revenue and Disaster Management Department”.

11.11.3 Disaster Management means a continuous and Integrated process of Planning, organizing, co-ordinating and implementing measures which are necessary or expedient for :-

1. Prevention of damage or threat of any disaster.
2. Mitigation or reduction of risk of any disaster or its severity of consequence.
3. Capacity – building.
4. Preparedness to deal with any disaster.
5. Prompt response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster.
6. Assessing the severity or magnitude of effects of any disaster.
7. Evaluation, rescue and relief.
8. Rehabilitation and reconstruction

11.11.4 The Disaster Management Scheme has been operative since June 2006, and the salaries of faculty, Head and Associate professor, expenditure for conducting training etc is being met from Non-Plan.

11.11.5 The National Institute of Disaster Management [NIDM] is conducting training on Disaster Management for Government Officials, NGOs, Local representatives, Head of Educational Institutions etc.

11.11.6 As of now Revenue and Disaster Management Department is implementing Disaster Risk Management programme sponsored by the Govt. of India – U.N.D.P. However, the Govt. of India U.N.D.P. shall withdraw their support by December, 2008. Once they withdraw, automatically financial support shall also be stopped. It is therefore considered necessary that this State Govt. provide its own fund for Disaster Management under the State Budget (Plan).

The following are funds received so far from Govt. of India for the programme:-

1 st Installment	-	Rs.26,67,888/-
2 nd Installment	-	Rs. 63,87,624/-
3 rd Installment	-	Rs. 57,81,780/-
4 th Installment	-	Rs. 2,14,59,904.32p
5 th Installment	-	Rs. 72,44,134/-
Total	-	Rs. 4,35,41,330.32p
Amount released for procurement of equipments and Emergency kit	-	Rs. 72,10,305.56
Grand Total	-	Rs. 5,07,51,635.88

Amount released to the districts comes to toRs.1,77,56,251/- as per break up below and amount released to PWD is Rs.57,81,780/- for construction of Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) / Control Room. Hence, the total amount comes to Rs.2,35,38,031.

1)	East Khasi Hills District	-	Rs. 32,80,445/-
2)	West Khasi Hills District	-	Rs. 26,95,282/-
3)	Ri Bhoi District	-	Rs. 17,15,232/-
4)	Jaintia Hills District	-	Rs. 17,51,470/-
5)	South Garo Hills District	-	Rs. 18,76,295/-
6)	East Garo Hills District	-	Rs. 24,75,407/-
7)	West Garo Hills District	-	Rs. 39,62,120/-

Amount left with the State Govt. = Rs. 2,72,13,604.88