GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH

BUDGET 2021-22

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1. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir**, with your permission I rise to present the Annual Budget of 2021-22 before this August House.

2. We are passing through extraordinary times due to covid-19 pandemic. This year, I have a difficult task to address the needs of Aspirational Arunachal Pradesh to set a tone for high growth, while making sufficient resources available for the unfinished agenda of last year.

3. The guidance and support of Government of India under the visionary Prime Minister Hon’ble Narendra Modi Ji and dynamic leadership of our Hon’ble Chief Minister Pema Khandu ji has ensured unprecedented pace in development of Arunachal Pradesh during last few years. I am confident that this pace is going to be accelerated in coming years as state would firmly establish itself as the Bright Star of the East.

4. **Speaker Sir**, the year 2020 witnessed the test of human resilience as the world was shaken to its core by the covid-19 Pandemic. The global economy was in
recession, whereas India’s economy has contracted by about 7 percent. In this situation, an emerging economy with billion plus population like India had to face severe challenges.

5. However, we have fared better than other counterparts. World has now acknowledged how the effective and decisive leadership of our Hon’ble Prime Minister, Narendra Modi ji, helped India in managing the covid pandemic. India has received praise from the Chief of International Monitory Fund for taking decisive steps to deal with the pandemic and its economic consequences. The country would remain indebted to our Prime Minister for steering the country efficiently during the most difficult times.

6. Today, I am proud to say that our Arunachal Pradesh has withstood these testing times with rigour, through unrelenting sacrifice of the frontline workers and unprecedented cooperation from the people of Arunachal Pradesh. Ministry of Health acknowledged Arunachal Pradesh as the state with best covid
recovery rate and one of the lowest fatality rates in the country.

7. **Hon’ble Speaker sir,** I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to every member of this August House for leading from front in their respective constituencies in our fight against covid-19. The Hon’ble Members have been gracious for providing a major part of their MLA LAD fund to the CM Relief Fund and forgoing their salaries for managing the pandemic.

8. The Hon’ble Governor in his address in this August House lauded the gesture of our Hon’ble Speaker and members of this Assembly for offering the MLA apartment to be converted into a covid hospital. This provided valuable service to hundreds of patients and saved many precious lives. With these, Hon’ble speaker, our Assembly has set a very high standard of prudence in public life.

9. I am happy to mention that our Government has ensured that all the citizen centric services including
extension services remained operational during the pandemic days. Our Revenue officials, police force, Anganwadi workers, ASHAs, those on essential services like power, drinking water etc. worked continuously during pandemic facing risks to their health. The CBOs, student organizations, NGOs played a major role during the pandemic. I take this opportunity to thank each one of them.

10. **Speaker Sir**, the State has joined the nationwide inoculation against the corona virus on 16\textsuperscript{th} January 2021, by launching a massive vaccination drive for healthcare workers and doctors. As on 1\textsuperscript{st} March, 31000 individuals have been vaccinated in the state. We also used helicopters to reach to the remote locations with vaccine.

11. The Department of Health deserves all praises for working tirelessly throughout the pandemic period. This was completely a new learning for us and let us not forget how in the initial days we were grappling for resources such as sourcing PPE kits and testing
equipment. The state has come a long way and developed a reasonably strong infrastructure in managing covid like pandemic.

12. At this juncture, I am reminded of the precious words of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India, which I quote,

“By common endeavor we can raise the country to a new greatness, while a lack of unity will expose us to fresh calamities.” Unquote.

13. I am proud to mention here that our state has shown exemplary resilience by adopting efficient and professional management of its finances. With meticulous planning our Government has ensured that funding for the important and urgent development work is not compromised while ensuring that the state does not default on payment of salaries and pensions and other dues including loan repayment.

14. Despite significant reduction in resources, we managed to provide Rs. 1895 Cr for clearing old
liabilities of SIDF and Additional RE which were pending since 2017, balance of LOCs and encashment of cheques which were withheld last year. We also kept a provision of Rs.180 Cr for catering to CCI projects and increased allocation to centrally sponsored schemes by around Rs. 1000 Cr.

15. **Speaker sir**, I would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to the 15th Finance Commission for enhancing the share in the taxes devolved by the Centre to Arunachal Pradesh to 1.757% from the earlier 1.370%.

16. The Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) was estimated at Rs.28490 Cr in 2020-21 at Current Prices as per the communication received from Ministry of Finance. We have received the GSDP data from the Economics and Statistics Department and accordingly we have calculated the GSDP by taking the average of the GSDP of 2018-19(Provisional), 2019-20(Quick) and 2020-21(Advance), which is estimated at Rs.26365 Cr.
17. I would like to share with this August House the resource position of the State for the previous years and the projections for the current financial year.

18. The Share of Central Taxes for the period from 2015-16 to 2019-20 as per the 14th Finance Commission Recommendation was estimated Rs.54090.14 Cr, whereas the actual receipt was Rs.44126.38 Cr with a shortfall of Rs.9963.76 Cr which is a shortfall of 18.42%.

19. Similarly, the Share of Central Taxes for the period from 2015-16 to 2019-20 as per the Union Budget was estimated at Rs.46776.61 Cr, whereas the actual receipt was Rs.44126.38 Cr with a shortfall of Rs.2650.23 Cr.

20. Against the Share of Central Taxes estimated in the BE 2019-20 of Union Government to the tune of Rs.11571.10 Cr, the State Government has actually received Rs.8987.57 Cr during LFY 2019-20 as per the RE 2019-20 of the Union Government, which is less by Rs.2583.53 Cr.
21. During the period of interim year of 15th Finance Commission CFY 2020-21, the share of Central Taxes as per Union Budget Estimate 2020-21 was Rs.13801.59 Cr but it is reduced to Rs.9680.58 Cr in Revised Estimate 2020-21. The shortfall in resource in the interim year of 15th Finance Commission CFY 2020-21, is Rs.4121.01 Cr which is a shortfall of 29.86%.

22. **Speaker sir**, in the Budget Estimates of 2021-22, we are projecting revenue receipts of Rs.21090.87 Cr and capital receipts of Rs.1490.13 Cr making total receipts of Rs.22581 Cr as against the total receipts of Rs.22000 Cr in Revised Estimates of 2020-21.

23. Our Share of Central Taxes has been pegged at Rs.11693.94 Cr as per Union Budget Estimates 2021-22 which is the highest source of resource for the State. We have projected State's Own Tax Revenue at Rs.1900 Cr. The Non- Tax Revenue for 2021-22 is estimated at Rs.850 Cr. Thus, our estimated State's
Own Revenue Generation is Rs.2750 Cr during 2021-22.

24. In the Budget Estimates of 2021-22, we are projecting Revenue Expenditure of Rs.15344.32 Cr for the year 2021-22 as against the Revised Estimates of Rs.14402.84 Cr in 2020-21.

25. In the Budget Estimate of 2021-22, the Capital expenditure including loan components is estimated at Rs.6968.68 Cr as against revised estimates of Rs.6770.55 Cr in 2020-21 which is approximately 3 percent increase over last year. The focus of the Government will be on increasing Capital expenditure to create assets in the state for overall development of the State.

26. **Speaker sir**, in terms of expenditure strategy, we are committed to meet the fiscal deficit targets laid out in the Arunachal Pradesh Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2006 which was amended from time to time. Our fiscal deficit was estimated at 2.28% of GSDP in the Revised Estimates of 2020-21.
For the FY 2021-22, we are estimating a fiscal deficit of 2.19% of GSDP.

27. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir**, Our Government believes in people’s participation in the development process. This year we organized regional Pre-Budget Consultative Meetings at Namsai, Pasighat, Itanagar and Bomdila inviting Hon’ble Ministers, Hon’ble MLAs, PRIs and district administrations to provide their valuable suggestions for the State Budget and share their priority concerns.

28. We have held a consultative meeting with our Community Based Organizations through which they could directly take part in the process of preparing the Budget. We invited the citizens of the state from all walks of life to give innovative suggestions for the State Budget. I am thankful to all for their valuable suggestions.

29. **Hon’ble Governor** while addressing this August House set forth the vision of this Government that is to bring equitable and sustainable development in the state
and to achieve excellence in governance, quality education, better health services, progressive changes in agriculture & allied sector, livelihood activities, ease of doing business, drinking water for all, uninterrupted power supply, good connectivity & communication, promoting tourism, and preserving rich culture and heritage of our society. In this budget I have made sincere efforts to set a path to achieve this vision.

30. **Hon’ble speaker sir**, this budget is guided by six strategic pillars provided by the Union Budget. Those are (i) Health & Wellbeing (ii) Reinvigorating Human Capital (iii) Inclusive Development for Aspirational Arunachal (iv) Physical & Financial Capital and Infrastructure (v) Minimum Government and Maximum Governance (vi) Innovation and R&D.

31. In this budget we have tried to provide necessary policy guidance and resource allocation for various areas which would ensure realization of desired outcomes against each of above six pillars.
32. ‘Synergy and Convergence’ would be our guiding principle while designing, planning, and implementing State and Central schemes. As a strategy, we will bring convergence between State Government Schemes, Fifteenth Finance Commission Grants and Central Sector & Centrally Sponsored Schemes coupled with inter-departmental coordination. We shall try to ensure that this budget becomes outcome oriented rather than expenditure oriented.

33. To fast-track implementation of new schemes including those covered under Budget announcements, I am happy to announce setting up of an empowered committee under the Chief Secretary to expedite formulation and clearance of guidelines of the schemes of the budget announcements, thereby expediting implementation of such schemes in the field. I also want to inform the August House that we will work towards implementing e-office in the Secretariat to bring in transparency and
professionalism so that the policies enacted by us are realized in a time bound manner.

34. This year we have taken up a Mission to achieve Rs. 5000 Cr funds from Government of India under various CSS. We have increased the allocation under CSS including state share from Rs. 4100 Cr in BE of 2020-21 to Rs. 5100 Cr in RE of 2020-21. Now we will ensure that this Rs. 5100 Cr is spent in a time bound manner by the departments, preferably during the first quarter of next financial year, so that we can receive Rs. 5100 Cr from GOI thereby achieving the Mission 5000 Cr under the CSS in the year 2021-22.

35. **Speaker Sir**, increasing state’s own resources to reduce our dependence on GOI funding is the need of the hour. I propose to incentivize top 5 districts which show improvement in revenue generation and collection by allocating additional Rs. 20 Lakh under untied fund.
36. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir,** ‘Health and Wellbeing’ has been described as a strategic pillar in the Union Budget 2021-22.

37. The State Government had already shown its intent by taking up a Rs.450 Cr. mission to upgrade the district hospitals including civil work and equipment by converging resource from State Plan, RIDF, NHM and NESIDS. We have also established ICU facilities in 7 locations, purchased 78 ambulances for remote areas of the State and recruited 400 nurses, 66 medical officers and 34 specialist doctors in a period of just one year. The current budget intends to build upon these efforts and ensure maximum health coverage for the citizens.

38. **Speaker sir,** this year I propose to allocate Rs.160 Cr for ‘Mission Health’ over and above the normal plan allocation of Health Department to consolidate and strengthen the health system. A sum of Rs600 Cr will be made available to Health department by
converging resources of normal plan, budget announcements, CSS, RIDF, BADP etc.

39. Government is committed to improve the Primary Health Care in Arunachal Pradesh in tune with Ayushman Bharat- Health & Wellness Program. In next two years, we will upgrade all our 320 Sub Centers & 121 Primary Health Centres as Health & Wellness centers. This year I propose an allocation of Rs. 8 Cr for this initiative.

40. Free Diagnostic Services being implemented in Arunachal Pradesh, majorly in District Hospitals & CHCs. Now our Government proposes to extend these free diagnostic Services to all Primary Health Centers in a phased manner in next two years. For this, I propose to allocate Rs. 4 Cr.

41. In a Mission mode approach, our Government is committed to improve the Institutional Deliveries by doubling the present level of Delivery Points from 63 to 120 by March 2022 and 150 by August 2022. This year I propose to allocate Rs. 10 Cr. We will work to
achieve more than 90% under universal immunization in a time bound manner.

42. **Speaker sir**, ASHAs are the foot soldiers, the foundational link of health care system to the Community. Therefore, to motivate them to perform better, my Government has proposed an assured incentive of Rs.2000/month per ASHA over & above the incentives provided under NHM. An amount Rs 9 Cr is proposed in the budget 2021-22 for the same.

43. The Chief Minister Arogya Arunachal Yojana has seen a rise in coverage of health insurance. Till date, about 98000 families were brought under the ambit of the scheme. The Government will continue with the scheme to ensure that all citizens of the state are covered.

44. Bakin Pertin General Hospital, Pasighat is catering to the secondary care services of the Eastern Arunachal Pradesh. We propose to upgrade this hospital to a state of art 300 bedded hospital in a phased manner. I am happy to allocate Rs.5 Cr in the financial year 21-
22. We will converge our resources to make adequate funding available to this project.

45. The only medical college in Arunachal, TRIHMS is our pride. During the covid time, it has proved its competence and commitment. Till date we have spent around Rs.350 Cr on building infrastructure of TRIHMS. I have proposed to allocate Rs. 28.00 Cr this year as Grant-in-Aid for TRIHMS. I am also proposing to allocate a gap funding of Rs.10 Cr for the hospital. Additionally, for various initiatives such as Free Chemotherapy, MRI and Advanced Technology equipment for Diagnosis and Installation of Cath Lab, I propose to allocate Rs. 25 Cr to TRIHMS. These initiatives would help to reduce out of pocket expenditure of the patients.

46. Owing to the healthcare need of the State, our Government has proposed to establish a 200 Bedded Hospital under RK Mission Hospital, Itanagar. For this, I propose to allocate Rs. 20 Cr in this budget.
47. **Hon’ble speaker**, neither the roads nor the buildings but the youth are our assets for brighter Arunachal Pradesh. The state is working tirelessly to address the aspirations of younger generation. However, growing drug addiction amongst the youth is a matter of concern for all of us, both as policy makers as well as responsible parents. Our Government has decided to address this menace comprehensively and holistically by addressing the supply side through strict control measures and moderating the demand side through de-addiction and rehabilitation. We will also focus on preventive measures so that our children do not become victim of addiction.

48. Mukhya Mantri Nasha Mukthi Yojana was launched in 2018-19. As of today, 6 Drug Deaddiction centers are operational in Arunachal Pradesh at Pasighat, Tezu, Namsai, Khonsa, Bordumsa, Hayuliang. We intend to strengthen these centers and provide rehabilitation facilities at 2 places, one in eastern and one in central Arunachal Pradesh. We will also rope in good NGOs
in managing these de-addiction and rehabilitation centers.

49. **Speaker Sir**, our focus on nutrition for pregnant women and children has been unwavering. Despite the pandemic, the Government ensured that the supplementary nutrition program continued without hindrance, by taking it to the doorsteps of the citizens. With the aim to keep a sharp focus on nutrition, improve public health and to fight lifestyle diseases, the State Government intends to scale up the ‘Eat Right Movement’ of Government of India to reach out to more citizens.

50. We shall also endeavor for rationalization and further improvement of Anganwadi Centers in the state. Wherever feasible, we will be integrating our Anganwadi centers to the upcoming Early Childhood Care and Education centers in the primary school.
51. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir**, our Hon’ble Chief Minister has announced that we would dedicate 2021 as the ‘**Year of Education**’ in Arunachal Pradesh to transform the education sector.

52. Our Government truly believes that education is the backbone of any progressive society. We fully subscribe to the idea advocated by **Swami Vivekananda** and I quote,

> “We want the education by which character is formed, strength of mind is increased, the intellect is expanded and by which one can stand on one’s own feet.”  Unquote

53. From just 3 primary schools and 50 students in 1950 to more than 3000 educational institutes with around 3 Lakh students today, the state has done a commendable job in spreading the education to its remote areas. I am happy to inform the August House that our Government’s consistent effort to improve the
status of Education in the State has been duly recognized by a leading national daily by declaring Arunachal Pradesh as the Most Improved Small State in Education.

54. This year we are launching “Mission Shiksha” with an all encompassing strategy to improve the standard of education in the next two years. There will be six focus areas under Mission Shiksha which include -

a) Infrastructure development of schools
b) Technology intervention through Information and Communication Technology and digital initiatives
c) Teachers training through DIETs and SCERT
d) Early childhood care and education centres
e) Continuous performance evaluation of teachers and students
f) Rationalisation of teachers’ posting through appropriate transfer policy
In order to materialize this Mission Shiksha, I propose to earmark a total of Rs. 200 Cr over and above the normal allocation to the Education Department. We will converge all resources through normal plan, budget announcements, CSS and others to mobilise a sum of Rs.1000 Cr for the education department this year.

Speaker Sir, our Government has mandated the recruitment of teachers through the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission to ensure free and fair recruitment. 115 PGTs and 404 TGTs have been already recruited through APPSC.

We are in process of operationalizing State-of-the-art Digital Studios in the State Head Quarters which is to be initially connected to 101 Senior Secondary Schools in all corners of the state through VSAT for conducting e-classes using digital contents. In the second phase, we will cover at least 500 schools. The virtual classes, once initiated, will bridge the gap of requirement of subject teachers including Maths and
Science subjects for which teachers are in shortage in the State.

58. **Speaker Sir**, I am happy to mention here that in the last General Council Meeting of NITI Aayog chaired by Hon’ble Prime Minister, our Hon’ble Chief Minister advocated for need to have information on the North East India in the National curriculum. This is a very visionary suggestion as it will increase awareness about North East India amongst the students from other parts of India. Simultaneously we are taking up steps to localize our syllabus by including inputs on Arunachal’s history, culture, and geography.

59. I am confident that the New Education Policy 2020 would transform the education sector in the country as it focuses on making education both accessible and inclusive. The onus of implementing the Policy properly lies with all of us. To further our agenda and in consonance with the policy, our Government has allotted fund of Rs 15 Cr for starting of Early
Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) centers in 300 schools across the state.

60. **Speaker Sir**, during the next 4 years, we will be establishing 10 new Eklavya Model Residential schools with Rs. 200 Cr allocation. In addition, Eight (8) Model Residential Schools under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) at a total cost of Rs.284 Cr will come up in next 3 years.

61. We are establishing the National Cadets Corps (NCC) Academy in Arunachal very soon. Our Sainik School in Pasighat is operational and it has started enrolling girl students also. We aim to establish the first All Girls Sainik School of the country at Tawang. We will also work on establishing one Sainik school in TCL region.

62. Inter-village schools, popularly known as IV schools have been the main pillars of education in Arunachal Pradesh. I propose to allocate Rs. 10 Cr for upgradation of infrastructure in at least one Inter-
Village school in each district. We will continue to close the schools with zero enrolment.

63. **Speaker sir**, there is a need for upgrading teachers’ skills from time to time owing to the fast-changing technology and educational contexts. Many teachers have been benefited through teachers training in the past few years. I propose to allocate Rs. 15 Cr this year as well for teachers training and exposure tours.

64. Our flagship educational scheme, CM Samast Shiksha Yojana will be continued with an allocation of Rs. 32 Cr. A special provision of Rs. 4 Cr also been kept for hiring faculty under CMSSY.

65. During the pre-budget consultations with CBOs, they all unanimously advocated for promotion of local language and local script. I propose to allocate Rs.3.50 Cr for Promotion of Tribal Language and Scripts and assure that this mission will be supported with adequate resources.
66. Since the infrastructure in most of the Government Secondary and higher schools are in deplorable condition, I propose to allocate Rs.51 Cr for infrastructure development under Mission Shiksha.

67. While we have been focusing on evaluation of students through various exams, we need to establish a robust system of continuous evaluation system for teachers also and I keep a provision of Rs 5 Cr this year for launching continuous performance evaluation system for teachers.

68. To operationalize Arunachal University at Pasighat and State Engineering College at Toru, I propose to allocate Rs. 4.00 Cr and Rs. 5 Cr respectively for their Infrastructure Development. We will explore the possibility of developing and operationalizing such facilities in Public Private Partnership for better quality and timely operationalization.

69. The State Government has been proactively seeking support of civil society organizations to support us in improving the quality of schools. Nyishi Elite Society
has come forward and adopted 7 Government schools. I am happy to inform that we have kept a provision of 5 Cr for improving the infrastructure in these schools.

70. NGOs like VKV, RKM etc. have emerged as the backbone of the education sector in Arunachal Pradesh. They have been providing yeomen service for the last 5 decades. The state will continue to support these organizations and work in a collaborative mode to strengthen their infrastructure.

71. Speaker Sir, games, and sports play an important role in developing a vibrant society. I am happy to mention that the Sangey Lhadan Sports Academy, Chimpu, Itanagar has been declared as **Khelo India State Centre of Excellence** under the Khelo India Scheme.

72. Our Government is committed to promote sporting culture and produce as many professional sports persons as possible from the state. Realizing the need for adequate infrastructure to groom our aspiring
sports persons, I propose to allocate a total amount of Rs. 12 Cr for construction of Outdoor Stadium at Chimpu, Tezu and Aalo. The state would converge resources to create state of art sports infrastructure for nurturing sports talent in Arunachal Pradesh.

73. Youths are the building blocks of our future. It is important to foster a strong Pan Arunachal Identity. With this objective, we shall conduct the Arunachal Pradesh Yuva Samanvay Karyakram. Young students will go to different districts of our State, experience the life, the culture, and traditions of all our tribes. We will undertake youth exchange programmes. I propose to earmark Rs. 4.5 Cr for this activity.

74. There are immense opportunities for entrepreneurship and employment in the field of popular adventure sports. To impart skills of Adventure Sports like Paragliding, Parasailing and White-water River Rafting etc. Adventure Sports Training Centers shall be set up in the public private partnership mode for
which I propose to earmark Rs. 5.5 Cr for the purpose of viability gap funding

Speaker Sir, the Arunachal Pradesh Literary Society has been organizing literary events every year for promoting reading and writing culture in our state. I propose to allocate Rs. 1 Cr as Grant-in-Aid to this Society.

I also propose to allocate Rs. 2 Cr for completion of construction of Press Club Building.

Inclusive Development for Aspirational Arunachal

Hon’ble Speaker Sir, our Government has remained committed to ensure that growth is inclusive. I am happy to share with the House that as per the newly published “Bare Necessities Index” by Economic Survey of India 2020-21, Arunachal Pradesh improved its rating in a span of mere 6 years.

I am proud to say that we successfully executed many of the packages under AtmaNirbhar Bharat. Key packages such as PM Garib Ann Yojana, Ujjwala

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scheme, PM KISAN, Jan Dhan Yojana and Credit Line Guarantee Scheme have been implemented with great efficiency. Hon’ble Governor in his address to this August House mentioned about our achievements under AtmaNirbhar Bharat.

79. During lockdown we have provided assistance to 1.77 lakh BPL families, 68,000 farmer families and around 42,000 divyangs / widows / senior citizens. Around 38000 students were provided with scholarship or stipend. More than 17,000 Arunachalees stranded outside Arunachal received Rs. 3,500/- each.

80. Furthermore, our innovative scheme of Nutritional Kitchen Garden has been a great success which has benefitted about 1.4 Lakh beneficiaries while the cluster farming has been taken up in more than 3,500 hectares. This scheme will receive a focused attention in the coming years.

81. Our Government declared that Government departments and district administrations should make procurements of furniture and other articles from local
artisans as far as possible to promote the ‘Vocal for Local’ campaign. In order to support this sector, I have earmarked Rs. 10 Cr for various projects including the establishment of Power Loom Servicing-cum-Training Centre at Doimukh at the cost of Rs. 2.50 Cr in addition to Rs. 1 Cr provided for revolving fund for the local artisans.

82. Many of our schemes in various sectors are dovetailed to achieve the goal of AtmaNirbhar Arunachal Pradesh.

83. **Speaker sir**, you would agree that when almost all major sectors of the economy were adversely affected due to the lock down, the only sector which persisted was agriculture. Therefore, as matter of priority state policy, we propose to augment the potential of Agriculture, Horticulture & Allied sector in our state.

84. Over the past few years, our Government made tremendous effort to increase our farmers’ income by boosting agriculture production in the State. However,
despite huge potential we are still not self-sufficient in food production.

85. Therefore I am proposing a single umbrella scheme by subsuming various ongoing schemes. Beneficiaries, including the SHGs, FPOs etc. would be selected through a committee under respective Deputy Commissioners and the financing will be made available through the banking system similar to Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Swavalamban Yojana which is being successfully implemented to nurture our young entrepreneurs.

86. My Government has taken up a mission to not only make us self-sufficient but to emerge as fruit bowl in next five years’ time. I am happy to announce all-encompassing umbrella scheme ‘AtmaNirbhar Krishi Yojana’ with an allocation of Rs 60 Cr and ‘AtmaNirbhar Bagwani Yojana’ with an allocation of Rs 60 Cr. By converging all resources a sum of Rs.350 Cr will be made available to agriculture, horticulture and allied activities this year.
87. ‘AtmaNirbhar Krishi Yojana’ and ‘AtmaNirbhar Bagwani Yojana’ would provide support to individual farmers for acquiring farm inputs including farm machineries, SHGs and FPOs and setting up of Custom Hiring Stations. Activities covering backward and forward linkages in Agriculture and horticulture sector will be eligible under this scheme for financing. Government will establish a farmer friendly implementing methodology for this scheme. The scheme will be able to attract the young generation to farming and increase the flow of credit in this sector.

88. I am happy to announce establishment of Agriculture College in East Kameng District and make an initial allocation of Rs. 2 Cr. This institution can be established as normal agriculture college or as a centre for excellence with support from GOI.

89. Self Help Group - Bank Linkage Programme promoted by NABARD has been proved to be successful in women empowerment and improving access to bank loan to marginalised sections.
Considering the tremendous potential for bank linkage, our Government will mandate SLBC to plan credit linkage of a minimum of 2,500 SHGs during 2021-22. This will be facilitated by Arunachal State Rural Livelihood Mission.

90. Under the Organic Mission, we shall continue to strengthen our efforts in facilitating our farmers for obtaining Organic Certification. Lower Subansiri district has made Arunachal proud by becoming the first in India to obtain organic certification for kiwi.

91. Apiculture or bee-keeping has immense scope in Arunachal serving two purposes of income generation as well as increasing productivity through pollination. We will work in a mission mode to develop Apiculture by converging resources from state and central Government.

92. We will also systematically work on harnessing rich potential of aromatic and medicinal plants in the state.
93. This year, we aim to strengthen existing Government nurseries in five regions to increase availability of necessary planting materials. I also propose to strengthen all the KVKs and tuning them to work for betterment of farmers.

94. The Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Marketing Board is undertaking pioneering work in establishing forward linkages for our farmers. I propose to increase the Grant-in-Aid to this board and strengthen its activities.

95. **Speaker Sir,** I also propose to upgrade the facilities of veterinary hospitals and dispensaries. I propose to allocation Rs. 7.5 Cr for CMs white revolution scheme and Rs. 7.5 Cr for the Arun Pig Development Scheme.

96. Fishery has remained a major untapped area in our state. I propose to allocation a sum of Rs. 19.5 Cr under the fisheries sector with Rs.10 Cr for Mukhya Mantri Neel Kranti Abhiyan.
97. **Speaker Sir,** Arunachal Pradesh has been able to establish as tourist destination in the country by winning awards like Lonely Planet Best Emerging Destination of India and Travel and Leisure Award for Best Emerging Green Destination.

98. For the FY 2021-22, the department of Tourism plans to implement 3 path breaking model projects by converging state and central Government resources namely, those are Arunachal Tourism Village, Arunachal Adventure Zone and Caravan Tourism. I propose to earmark Rs. 13 Cr in this budget for taking up such innovative activities under tourism sector including adventure, wild life and eco-tourism through PPP model.

99. To create an integrated framework of tourism promotion, we have allotted Rs 25 Lakh each to 8 districts under the District Tourism Promotion Societies headed by Deputy Commissioner. I invite the district administration to join in competition in selecting such tourism projects. The selected
proposals through this challenge method would be supported by the Government.

100. This year, I propose to earmark Rs 5 Cr for Chief Minister's Paryatan Yojana and Chief Minister's Paryatan Shiksha Yojana.

101. As we are coming out of covid-19 pandemic we need to focus on our initiative of Dekho Apna Pradesh for promoting intra-state tourism which will also help us in understanding each other’s culture and develop a pan-Arunachal feeling.

102. The Government of India has been committed in handholding us in developing our tourism sector. We will strengthen implementation of these schemes such as Swadesh Darshan, PRASAD etc.

103. **Speaker Sir,** it is of critical importance that the areas near international border are rapidly developed so that a permanent and patriotic border population acts as a check against any foreign misadventure.
104. Development of border villages will remain as an important priority of our Government. Under the leadership of our Hon’ble Prime Minister, the last few years have witnessed an unprecedented focus on border area infrastructure development, especially the road connectivity. We will continue to work for comprehensive development of border villages by providing them good road connectivity, power, water supply, health, and education.

105. I am happy to announce a major initiative to develop three Model Villages on a pilot basis in the Indo-Tibet China border areas – one each in the Eastern, Central and one Western part of the State. I propose to earmark a fund of Rs.30 Cr for the same. These model villages would serve as pilot projects which will be further expanded to cover many more such villages. The scheme would encompass innovative ways to dovetail social-economic-cultural needs of village life while establishing the model villages. I assure this August House that these model villages
will be built in such a way that we will feel proud of them. We will rope in our border guarding forces in designing and implementing this scheme.

106. I also propose to allocate Rs.5 Cr for repair of Foot Suspension Bridges in border areas used by our border guarding forces for patrolling.

107. We propose to launch Border Village Illumination Programme thereby establishing small and micro hydels in remote border areas which can be used in local grid or off grid mode. I propose to allocate initial money of Rs.40 Cr to this project which we would implement by converging resources from Government of India.

108. Speaker Sir, we have diligently implemented schemes that ensure social justice, empowerment of women and facilitation of indigenous affairs, such as the projects under the Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Schemes, Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram to name a few.
109. We have decided to double the Grant in Aid to Arunachal Pradesh Women Commission to Rs. 2 Cr. I am happy to propose Rs. 3 Cr for construction of working women hostel in Itanagar. I propose to allocate Rs. 1.5 Cr for girl student’s health and hygiene scheme.

110. For continuation of CM’s Social Security Scheme, I propose to allocate Rs. 50 Cr.

111. **Speaker Sir**, Arunachal Pradesh is rapidly moving on the development trajectory. However, we need to be cautious so that we do not lose the strengths offered by indigenous culture. A fine balance between development and preservation of culture must be achieved if we need to survive for centuries with our unique identity. ‘Adherence to traditions while accepting modernity’ should be our way of life.

112. During the pre-budget consultations with CBOs, preservation of indigenous way of life was emphasized by all. Our Government completely
agrees with this and we have increased the allocation of Department of Indigenous Affairs to Rs 38 Cr.

113. To preserve indigenous art and culture, our Government will take up preservations of Indigenous Heritage Centers in a phased manner. I propose to allocate Rs.4 Cr this year. We will continue with our project of construction of tribal cultural centers with proposed allocation of Rs. 4 Cr.

114. We have taken up projects for documentation of rich culture and traditions of tribes of Arunachal Pradesh. Through such documentation we will be preserving our rich culture in the form of folklore, folk stories, traditional knowledge etc. I propose to allocate Rs.1.4 Cr for this activity and an additional Rs.50 Lakh for production of animated movies of folklores of tribes of Arunachal Pradesh. Based on the consultation with CBOs, an allocation of Rs.2 Cr has been proposed for developing textbooks on Arunachal history and culture.
115. While we continue to adopt modern values, our indigenous priests provide us a great amount of support in our social life. Recognizing their huge contribution in preserving rich culture and maintaining social harmony, I am happy to announce that Government will provide an honorarium to registered indigenous priests. A sum of Rs.3 Cr has been earmarked for the same.

116. The CBOs during the pre-budget consultations meeting emphasized on undertaking measures to preserve the local culture. I am happy to announce that Government will provide all necessary assistance for the same. We will promote establishment of indigenous Gurukul schools and indigenous prayer centers.

117. I also propose to allocate Rs. 2 Cr for Narottam Heritage and Cultural Center and Rs.1 Cr for development of World War- II Memorial at Jairampur.

118. In order to pay tribute to late Major Ralengnaro ‘Bob’ Khathing for his invaluable contribution in establishing
Indian administrative control in the border areas in 1951, a memorial will be built in his name in Tawang whose foundation stone was laid recently.

119. The Government had established museums in various places in the state. Government will offer some of these museums to CBOs to operate on PPP basis. Government will provide necessary gap funding.

120. **Speaker Sir**, our Government has been giving high importance to development of Model Villages in every constituency under CM's Adarsh Gram Yojana. This year, I propose to allocate Rs. 25 Cr for continuation of the scheme.

121. In order to continue the CM's Rural Housing Scheme, I propose to allocate Rs.4 Cr for 2021-22. Also, to promote livelihood activities of Self-Help Groups under ArSRLM, I propose to allocate Rs.1 Cr this year.

122. As per the recommendations under the 15th Finance Commission, the total grants to local bodies will be
Rs. 1618 Cr for the period from 2021-26, i.e. i) Rs. 900 Cr for Rural Local Bodies, ii) Rs. 459 Cr for Urban Local Bodies and iii) Rs. 259 Cr for Health Grants through local Governments. During 2021-22, the total amount of Rs. 303 Cr has been recommended by the FFC. These allocations, if converged with State and other central resources will be able to provide a major impetus for development through Panchayati Raj Institutions.

123. **Speaker Sir**, our newly created districts require basic infrastructure for proper functioning of the administration. This year, I propose to earmark Rs. 30Cr for Infrastructure Development of new Districts where the sites have been already finalized. I propose to earmark Rs. 10 Cr for Infrastructure Development of 2 Divisional Headquarters.

124. Our Government believes in inclusive development of the state through decentralized planning. Therefore, we have earmarked Rs. 37Cr for taking up
development activities in Assembly Constituencies without border Blocks.

125. Further, I propose to allocate Rs. 25 Cr for continuation of CM's District Innovation and Challenge Fund and additional allocation of Rs. 10 Cr for special proposals from Deputy Commissioners.

126. I am happy to restore the allocation under Department of Tirap, Changlang and Longding to Rs. 50 Cr for the financial year 2021-22.

127. **Speaker Sir**, maintaining law & order and providing security and confidence to citizens of State has been the top priority of our Government.

128. Arunachal Pradesh Police has had tremendous success in the past year, be it in handling of law-and-order situations, detection of heinous crimes, check on substance abuse, and infrastructure building. Besides, Arunachal Pradesh Police has tactfully dealt with Inter-state Boundary Disputes, 'Bandh' calls,
insurgency problem in TCL region, cyber-crime and other security related problems.

129. As most of the conventional communication systems in Arunachal Pradesh are prone to interruption as they depend upon the weather conditions of area, the POLNET project was conceptualized and installed in all the districts.

130. PTC Banderdewa is an important institution in the state for imparting Police training and other purpose. I propose to allocate Rs. 4.54 Cr for upgradation of its infrastructure. The forensic wing under Arunachal Police will be strengthened for speedy investigations.

131. In order to tighten the security system at the 3 (three) main Check Gates of our state, namely, Banderdewa, Hollongi & Gumto, I propose to allocate an amount of Rs.70 lakh for installation of Artificial Intelligence based Security Surveillance at these locations.

132. I am glad to inform that our Government will establish a Central Jail/ Correctional home in Papum Pare
District for which an allocation of Rs. 10 Cr has been proposed.

133. I propose to allocate Rs. 10 Cr for Upgradation & Construction of new judicial infrastructure and Rs. 20 Cr for the new High Court Building.

134. I propose to establish 3 new fire stations in the state during the coming financial year for which I propose to allocate Rs.9 Cr.

**Physical & Financial Capital and Infrastructure**

135. **Speaker Sir**, the state Government will set up a Committee to identify all assets under the state and local Governments. We have observed that there are many Government buildings and other infrastructure which are lying unutilized. The concerned Departments and Government machineries should ensure that these assets are revived and monetized. The state will also explore the various means of asset monetization, including but not limited to Public
Private Partnerships, Long Term Leases and Innovative Re-use of identified land, buildings, etc.

136. Hon’ble Members of this August House have been requesting to allow a part of MLALAD for the use of repair and maintenance of assets under social sector. I am happy to announce that I have proposed an additional allocation of Rs. 25 Lakh per MLA over and above Rs.3 Cr as MLALAD for carrying our repairs of assets under social sector such as health and education.

137. **Speaker Sir**, to promote industry and investment in the State, we have announced the Arunachal Pradesh Industry and Investment Policy 2020. As we come out of the pandemic, we aim to implement this Policy in all its spirit in the current year.

138. Our state has immense potential for food processing industries. The state Government is committed to provide assistance for external infrastructure for the mega food park and mini food parks duly approved by the Government of India. We will assist our
entrepreneurs coming forward to set up food processing industries.

139. **Speaker Sir**, work on the Hollongi Airport is going on in full swing and we expect to complete this dream project by August 2022 when we celebrate the 75th anniversary of India’s Independence. The state Government has provided all resources for the external infrastructure such as roads, power, and water supply for this project despite major resource crunch. We will also construct a state of art convention center at the Hollongi Airport.

140. Our Government has planned to develop Heliports at 5 locations namely, Ziro, Daporijo, Naharlagun, and Walong with an allocation of Rs. 7 Cr. Rs.1.8 Cr will be spent for construction of civil terminal building at Mechuka ALG.

141. The Government of Arunachal Pradesh is actively engaged with Ministry of Civil Aviation for commencing fixed wing aircraft operations in
Arunachal Pradesh. We propose to reactivate ALG in Anini and construct new ALG in Dirang.

142. **Speaker Sir**, our Government has provided high priority on roads and connectivity infrastructure in the state. I am happy to inform the House that the progress of Package-A of NH-415 is moving in a good momentum, and I am confident that it will be fully completed by end of this month except for a bridge and an underpass. The work on package B&C from Pappu Nallah to Banderdewa would start soon.

143. I am proud here to mention that with active intervention of the state Government and support from GOI, the work on Miao to Vijoynagar road, which was delayed for decades for the want of clearances, is now going on in good speed.

144. Our Government is actively pursuing the CM Road Development Plan to provide all-weather connectivity to all the administrative headquarters. Apart from state’s own contribution, we will converge the
resources from CRIF and RIDF for the CM Road Development Plan in the year 2021-22

145. We are diligently working with all executing agencies for the better road connectivity in border areas of Arunachal Pradesh. It is a matter of pride for us that in spite of the pandemic days leading to disruption of supply-chain, around 1500 km of road length under PMGSY was completed in 2020-21. If we add roads constructed by PWD, BRO and others then a total of more than 2000 km of roads were completed in 2020-21 with an average of 5.5 lane km per day from 4.1 lane km per day of year 2019-20.

146. **Speaker sir**, Arunachal Frontier Highway is a cherished dream of people of Arunachal Pradesh. I am happy to inform that the preparation of DPR for the Frontier Highway would commence soon. This road will usher in a new era in Arunachal Pradesh and would have positive economic and social impact.
147. Gohpur Tinali-Jote road has been a priority of this Government. I propose to allocate Rs. 90 Cr for completion of this 22 km two lane road.

148. Rural road connectivity is a focus area for both, Central and State Governments. Under PMGSY-I, we have completed construction of 942 roads, with length of 10,175 km and covered 1166 habitations. The PMGSY-II was launched for up-gradation of 550 km of roads to be completed soon. I am pleased to inform the House that we are preparing a proposal for construction of 1375 km of roads under PMGSY-III which will be taken up soon with the Government of India.

149. In this year’s budget, we propose to allocate Rs. 30 Cr for maintenance of the roads constructed under PMGSY.

150. Speaker Sir, we have last year’s unfinished agenda of providing resources to the State Transport to procure new buses. This year we have proposed to provide Rs. 10 Cr for procurement of transport fleet
for public transport. I compliment the Department of Transport for connecting many difficult places like Anini by the state transport thereby giving much needed service to citizens in remote areas. The department also deserves compliment for running the service so effectively during the pandemic days and transporting thousands of returnees to their respective districts.

151. Itanagar Capital Complex is growing at a very fast rate thereby putting tremendous pressure on the transport services. The Government has decided to introduce city bus services in the Capital Region to help the commuters to travel at a reasonable cost.

152. **Speaker Sir**, it is a matter of pride for all of us that despite difficulties posed by the pandemic the work on 600 MW Kameng project has been completed. The work on Subansiri lower project is going on in full speed and the two units of 500 MW are expected to be commissioned by August 2022.
153. The 16 MW Halaipani project in Anjaw district which was languishing for decades has been bidded out. We expect the project to be commissioned by the year 2022. More such projects would be identified and bidded to realize the hydro potential in a time bound manner. We will facilitate various agencies working in hydro sector in Arunachal Pradesh to expedite their work so that the projects are commissioned, and we start getting the benefits of free power as well as funds under local area development fund.

154. To harness the rich potential of the hydropower, the Government has decided to work with some of the Central Public Sector Units in the power sector. Recently the Government of Arunachal Pradesh allotted the 120 MW Nafra Hydro-Electric Power to North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited.

155. During 20-21 we provided Rs. 7 Cr for completion of last mile hydro projects and Rs. 12 Cr for connecting 7 hydro projects through T&D network in the form of hydel connectivity. We will continue in our efforts in
hydel connectivity and propose to earmark Rs.10 Cr for the year 21-22.

156. A major reform was initiated by developing a system of online payment of electricity bills in six towns. Till date Rs 5.0 Cr were collected through this online system which has benefitted both, the citizens as well as the consumers. We propose to continue with these reforms, and I am happy to allocate Rs. 7 Cr for taking up project of smart prepaid metering in all major towns and Rs. 1 Cr for setting up of IT cell in the department of power to take up consumer friendly digital initiatives.

157. The installation of Smart Street Lighting on the National Highway from Chandranagar to Pappu Nallah will be completed within March 2021 at the cost of Rs. 7 Cr. I propose to extend the Smart Street Lighting further from Chandranagar to Hollongi Airport and allocate Rs. 7 Cr for the project.
158. **Speaker Sir**, we are grateful to our Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji for approving Scheme for our State which envisages providing 4G mobile connectivity to 1683 villages that are remotely located by 2022 under the Comprehensive Telecom Development Plan. Once implemented, this will bring visible change in people’s lives giving them access to information and improving quality of life.

159. There are many remote locations where providing digital connectivity becomes commercially unviable due to very low consumer base. State Government is willing to pitch in and provide viability gap funding to Telecom service provider in this regard. A fund of Rs.5 Cr has been proposed for the same.

160. **Speaker Sir**, Jal Jeevan Mission, an ambitious programme of Government of India envisages to provide potable drinking water to all rural household across the country by 2024. Arunachal Pradesh has decided to cover the target a year ahead of the
national target. In the current year, we have already covered around 52000 houses.

161. Hon’ble Chief Minister, Arunachal Pradesh has launched a state flagship programme “Arunachal Jal Sankalp” subsuming all rural water supply schemes being taken up with 100% state funding including schemes under Water to all.

162. Government has already provided Rs. 150 Cr under 14th and 15th Finance commission as convergence with water and sanitation sector and Rs. 42 Cr under the special scheme for capital expenditure. In this budget, I propose to allocate Rs. 100 Cr over and above the normal plan allocation and JJM allocation in to help department to take up drinking water and innovative schemes.

163. I am happy to inform that based on our performances in the implementation of JJM, we received an incentive of Rs. 45 Cr during 2019-20 from GOI. We expect to get a bigger incentive in the current year 2020-21.
164. Speaker Sir, public works department is entrusted for bulk of the physical infrastructure construction, improvement, and maintenance work. This year we propose to allocate Rs.202 Cr for its regular activities for completion of ongoing and maintenance activities.

165. In addition, I propose to allocate Rs.22 Cr for improvement of district headquarters township roads, Rs.23 Cr for DC and ADC/SDO roads and Rs. 54 Cr for improvement and decongestion of Capital Complex roads.

166. I also propose for allocation of Rs.50 Cr for ongoing works of construction of new District Secretariats and Building infrastructures and remaining for important schemes, replacement of critically weak bridges, critical connectivity roads, etc.

167. I also propose to allocate Rs. 10 Cr for acceleration of construction of new guest house at Guwahati.
168. A long felt need of construction of RCC bridge over river Kameng from Seppa to New Seppa will be realized soon and I propose an allocation of Rs. 1 Cr this year for detailed design and preconstruction activities of the Bridge.

169. **Speaker Sir**, though Arunachal Pradesh is known for its smaller villages in remote areas, it is also witnessing rapid pace of urbanization. There is an urgent need of preparing a master plan for next five decades for planned and sustained urbanization. It has been observed that unplanned urban growth leads to deterioration in quality of life by putting stress on civic amenities.

170. I would urge Hon’ble members to invest time and energy for planned development of urban towns in their areas. I am happy to mention here that Kanubari town is working on preparing a comprehensive city plan which can be replicated by other urban towns.
171. Itanagar Capital Complex is witnessing an unprecedented growth in urbanization. Many of civic amenities are already under severe stress. Year after year, we have been investing sizable resources for improving the city infrastructure. However, often, the growth outpaces our efforts. I appeal to the newly elected IMC Members to work on a comprehensive plan for the development of city infrastructure in a phased but rapid manner.

172. I mentioned that ‘convergence’ is one major theme of this budget. We need to converge resources we receive from FFC, central schemes such as Smart City Programme and state scheme for improving the city infrastructure. The city of Itanagar and Pasighat will be receiving Rs. 459 Cr under FFC over a period of five years and if synergized with other schemes will provide a multiplying effect on city infrastructure.

173. **Speaker sir**, I am happy to inform that the Government of India has taken the decision to extend the JJM for urban towns thereby giving us an
opportunity to provide potable water to every household in urban areas.

174. To finance ongoing and new schemes in urban development, housing, and town planning, we propose to allocate Rs.70 Cr for this financial year over and above their normal plan activities.

175. Solid waste management in towns is a major issue. We need to work with CBOs, NGOS, citizens and private sector to address this issue in collaboration. Despite having limited resources, I propose to allocate Rs. 22 Cr for this work to cover 31 towns. I would request this fund should be used through innovative models.

176. Hon’ble Governor in his address emphasized about single point mission for Itanagar, Naharlagan and capital region that is cleanliness, cleanliness, and cleanliness. I have kept a provision of Rs.18 Cr for solid waste management in Capital complex.
177. I propose to allocate Rs. 3 Cr for installation of open gyms in 34 towns to promote **Fit India Movement**.

178. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir**, comprehensive knowledge of our mineral wealth is a critical prerequisite for its efficient monetization. The mineral potential of our State is yet to be fully understood. Therefore, I propose to earmark Rs. 2 Cr for facilitating minerals exploration.

179. I am happy to inform that this year we resolved many issues pertaining to oil and gas blocks of Kharsang, Ningroo and Ningroo extension. Arunachal is now prepared to emerge as a dominant hub on India’s hydrocarbon map.

### Minimum Government and Maximum Governance

180. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir**, in tune with our Hon’ble Prime Ministers agenda of ‘Minimum Government and maximum governance’, we propose to bring in more governance reforms in the state, as we intend to
improve the ease of living of citizens as well as the ease of doing business in the state.

181. We propose to set up a Task Force to analyze the ways of reducing compliance burden and recommend repeal, reduce or digitization of such compliances so that Government-to-Citizen and Government-to-Business service delivery become more efficient and contribute to economic growth of the state.

182. Hon’ble speaker sir, increasing absorption capacity of our state to handle the projects and schemes effectively and efficiently is an urgent priority for the Government. I propose to earmark Rs. 2 Cr for training and capacity building of the Government servants. I also propose to establish linkages with knowledge partners who would help us in various sectors of state economy. I propose to earmark Rs.7 Cr for infrastructure development of ATI Building.

183. Speaker Sir, The Ease of Doing Business process is already underway in the state which had also become one of the top 10 improvers as per EODB annual
rankings for 2018-19. I am proud to mention that Arunachal is amongst the very few states in North East to have developed Single window clearance system where few services are already on-boarded.

184. In the current budget session, we intend to enact the EODB Act thereby establishing a Single Window Clearance Authority. We are working on a system of centralized inspection and auto-renewal thereby eliminating discretion and inspection raj.

185. I am glad to inform you that we are soon launching the e-Abkari or Online Excise for transparent and expeditious processing of Import and Transport Permits.

186. ‘Sarkar AapKe Dwar’ has been our flagship initiative to take the Government services at the doorstep of the citizens. With hundreds of camps, the scheme has been a great success. As the covid pandemic is receding, we would widen the scope the ‘Sarkar AapKe Dwar’ initiative and take the Government
services at the doorstep of the citizens in a mission mode.

187. **Speaker Sir**, you are a champion of digitization of services and have ensured that the Assembly functioning becomes absolutely paper free. I, on the behalf of all legislatures compliment you for your pioneering work in tune with e-governance.

188. Our Government is committed to facilitate extensive use of Information Technology and applications like Arunachal e-Services, e-ILP, e-Court, CM Helpline, e-Office, e-Cabinet and Jeevan Pramaan. The e-calendar 2021 mobile app ‘DIPR Arunachal’ was launched which reflect the adaptation of digital initiatives by the State. We have recently introduced a monthly virtual monitoring meeting, “Arunachal e-Pragati,” which is chaired by Hon’ble Chief Minister.

189. This year, we propose to initiate Digitization of Land Records and I propose to allocate Rs. 2 Cr. for related activities. We propose to complete the works of the Integrated Financial Management System.
190. Our Government believes that latest information technology should be adopted in all sectors for accelerating development in our state. This year we have proposed to earmark a total of Rs. 18 Cr for taking up various projects under the IT Department.

**Innovation and R&D**

191. **Hon’ble Speaker Sir,** we live in wonderful times of innovation and global connectivity. Our youth has limitless potential to excel in all sectors and contribute to solving problems of our times. The State’s youth must become job creators rather than job seekers. And it is now a key focus of the State Government to encourage and groom the youths to become successful entrepreneurs.

192. **Speaker Sir,** more than 200 entrepreneurs have been benefitted under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Swavalamban Yojana. The scheme has been very popular amongst the youth and I am happy to announce that this year we are doubling its allocation from Rs.15 Cr to Rs.30 Cr. We will ensure more
equitable and balanced spread of the scheme and work with bankers for ease of processing of project proposals.

193. Last year, the Arunachal Pradesh Entrepreneurship Development Program was initiated and about 100 startups were shortlisted for award. The top 31 winners will be awarded for taking up various innovative projects. They will also be placed for incubation and mentorship by IIM-Calcutta Innovation Park.

194. This financial year is poised to be fostering innovation in the state as we are set to launch Arunachal Pradesh Start-Up Policy 2021. The Policy aims to offer incentives and support to the start-ups.

195. To handhold our young entrepreneurs, help them in developing bankable projects and support them in providing finances, the state has decided to have a special cell and provide consultancy services through professionals and professional agencies for which Government will bear the expenses.
196. We propose to allocate Rs. 10 Cr for this year to initiate all activities and to create a Startup Seed Fund.

197. We propose to allocate Rs. 6.50 Cr for Chief Minister Yuva Kaushal Yojana. This year, we are introducing a new Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme for which I propose to allocate Rs. 1 Cr.

198. **Speaker Sir,** we live in the age of science and we need to ensure that scientific innovation is fostered amongst our youth. This year we have propose to make provision of Rs. 6.5 Cr for schemes that may be taken up under Department of Science and Technology.

199. **Hon’ble Speaker sir,** during the 6th Governing Council meeting of NITI Aayog chaired by Hon’ble Prime Minister, our Chief Minister advocated that the days of one plus one equals two are gone and now we must work for one plus one equals eleven through convergence model creating synergy.
200. This budget has attempted to adopt our Chief Minister’s vision of synergy by converging all resources available from state plan, CSS, FFC grants etc. and creating a bigger umbrella scheme for every area by dovetailing the smaller schemes. We have also attempted to move from expenditure oriented to outcome-oriented budgeting and converging our efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goals.

201. **Hon’ble speaker sir,** I am confident that with the right policy interventions under our dynamic Chief Minister Shri Pema Khandu ji, we will be able to excel on each of the six pillars enshrined in the Union Budget of this year. We are committed to achieve inclusive, balanced, and sustainable development by addressing the needs and aspirations of all sections of the society. We will work tirelessly to achieve the dream of our Prime Minister of AtmaNirbhar Bharat. I am confident that this budget would lay a strong foundation for Arunachal Pradesh and results will be
visible as we celebrate the 75th year of our independence next year.

202. Let me conclude my speech by reciting a few lines from a poem by the great poet Shri Harivansh Rai Bachchan-

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Jai Hind! Jai Arunachal !!