



GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA



# BUDGET



## Part - II 2023-2024



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## **PART-II (GENERAL BUDGET)**

**Hon'ble Speaker Sir,**

Now, I would take up the **General Budget**.

### **Highlights of Fiscal Management**

2. Under the able leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha has been recognized as a pioneer in the Country in prudent fiscal management. When Hon'ble Chief Minister took over the reins of the state in 2000, Odisha was in such a severe financial crisis that it was unable to even pay salaries and pensions regularly. Today, two decades later, **we are amongst the very few states that are revenue surplus and capable of large-scale investments in people-centric and growth-oriented programmes.** This transformation has been possible due to futuristic and people-oriented model of governance combined with the vision of our beloved Chief Minister towards making Odisha a developed State.

3. We have the distinction of being the only state in the country that has been **fully compliant with Odisha Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2005** since its enactment. Our efforts in fiscal prudence have been recognized and we were adjudged as the **No.1 State in fiscal management**, as per the Care Edge States' Ranking report, January, 2023.

4. The policy of fiscal prudence coupled with investment prioritisation has yielded transformative outcomes. We have **increased our Programme budget by thirty-five times from Rs.3,538 crore in 2000-01 to Rs.1,25,000 crore in 2023-24** Budget Estimates. Similarly, **capital outlay has gone up by more than sixty times from Rs.834 crore to Rs.51,683 crore** during the same period. The proportion of Capital expenditure in Odisha to total budget is highest among all major States in the country.

5. While keeping the Administrative Expenditure under control at **Rs.94,000 crore** in 2023-24, we have proposed to increase our Programme Expenditure by 25% to **Rs.1,25,000 crore** in **2023-24**. This amounts to a phenomenal and unprecedented **increase of 67% in Programme Expenditure over a period of just two years**. The allocation for the Programme Expenditure is about 54 percent of the total budgetary outlay.

6. The Administrative Expenditure proposed at **Rs.94,000 crore** in 2023-24 includes **Rs.32,449 crore** for salaries, **Rs.19,967 crore** for pension, **Rs.7,241 crore** for interest payment and **Rs.13,464 crore** for maintenance of capital assets.

7. The outlay for Disaster Response Funds will be **Rs.3,700 crore**. Transfers from State will have an outlay of **Rs.7,300 crore**. We propose to transfer about **Rs.3,132 crore** on the basis of the recommendations of 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission and around **Rs.4,052 crore** on the recommendations of the 5<sup>th</sup> State Finance Commission to the rural and urban local bodies of the State.

8. Thus, the Budget Estimates for 2023-24 envisage an expenditure of **Rs.2,30,000 crore**. The capital outlay in 2023-24 is **Rs.51,683 crore**, which is about **6 per cent of GSDP**. Additionally, loans and advances, grants for creation of capital assets and other expenditure for capital formation together account for **Rs.12,421 crore**, which is **1.4** per cent of GSDP.

### **Financing the Annual Budget, 2023-24**

9. The outlay is proposed to be financed through revenue receipts of **Rs.1,84,500 crore** and borrowing and other receipts of **Rs.45,500 crore**.

10. Total revenue receipts for the year 2023-24 include State's share in Central taxes of **Rs.46,251 crore**, State's Own tax of **Rs.53,000**

**crore**, Own Non-tax revenue of **Rs.52,500 crore** and grants from Centre for **Rs.32,749 crore**.

### **Key priorities**

**11.** This budget focuses on achieving rapid and inclusive growth through development of human resources, investment in physical and social infrastructure, health care for all, provision of social safety nets for the disadvantaged and vulnerable sections and empowerment of youth, women, Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities, persons with disability and the senior citizens.

Now I proceed to highlight important interventions for different sectors in this Budget.

### **Health Sector : Caring for life**

**12.** Odisha has witnessed incredible transformation in Health Sector in the last two decades under the guidance of Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik. From being a State known for its poor health indicators in the year 2000, today Odisha stands tall as an Achiever State in the country with the **highest decline in Infant Mortality Rate** in the country between 2005 to 2020 (SRS); **2nd highest decline in Maternal Mortality Ratio** (MMR) in the country between 2015-17 to 2018-20 (SRS); **highest Immunization Coverage** in the country (90.5%: NFHS-5);

**13.** The COVID management in our state, driven by the clarion call '**Every life is Precious**' of our Hon'ble Chief Minister, received worldwide recognition and appreciation. During the pandemic, the state provided the **best health care through Covid hospitals, completely free of cost for every citizen**. Odisha was widely recognised for its role in providing oxygen to other states when there was severe oxygen shortage across the country.

**14.** The impact of 5T initiatives on healthcare development of the state is clearly visible on the ground, from the initiative for **transforming the SCB Medical College** & Hospital into an AIIMS Plus category hospital to introducing Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) Smart Health Cards to launching Mukhya Mantri Bayu Swasthya Seva (air health services).

**15.** A total sum of **Rs.16,048 crore** has been proposed for **public health care, which is an increase of about 27 percent over previous year and about 3 times of the allocation in 2017-18.** It amounts to 7 percent of the State Budget. This includes provision of Rs.3,725 crore under Administrative Expenditure and Rs.12,031 crore under Programme Expenditure under Health and Family Welfare Department. The provision under Programme Expenditure has been substantially increased by 33% over the Budget Estimates, 2022-23.

#### **AMA Hospital : Transformation of Public Health Facilities through 5T**

**16.** **Health Care for All** has been the guiding principle of our Government. It has been the dream of the Hon'ble Chief Minister to upgrade public health facilities to the standard of the best private hospitals. Towards this end, I propose to introduce a new scheme under Health Sector - **AMA Hospital** - which has an ambitious target to transform **147 health facilities in a record period of one year, with an outlay of Rs.750 crore** in the Budget Estimates for 2023-24. Under this scheme the Physical Health Infrastructure, basic patient amenities and service delivery system in the public health facilities, i.e. Community Health Centres, Sub-District Hospitals and District Head Quarter Hospitals will be upgraded. In subsequent phases, all the health facilities across the State will be taken up.



## **Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY)**

17. When illness strikes a family, health expenditures can be catastrophic, wiping out life-time savings and pushing families below the poverty line. Hon'ble Chief Minister, with an aim to protect all vulnerable families in the time of illness, launched the path-breaking **Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana**, making Odisha the **first and only State in the country and perhaps the world**, where all healthcare services, from OPD consultation to ICU and surgery, are provided free of charge to all persons, in all Government hospitals. Each year, **poor families save Rs. 600 crore expenditure on drugs**, which is borne under Niramaya. Similarly, the people of Odisha **save over Rs. 150 crore each year on diagnostic expenses** alone, as the same is borne by the Nidaan scheme.

18. In addition to this, 96.5 lakh families covering over 3.3 crore people of Odisha are provided with **cashless healthcare** in over **600 premier private hospitals across 17 States**.

19. Till date, **over 10 lakh families have saved over Rs.2,100 crore towards healthcare expenses in premier private hospitals**. The House will be happy to know that about **50,000 families have availed cashless care of above Rs. 1 lakh per annum and nearly 1000 women have availed healthcare of over Rs. 5 lakh per annum**.

20. It is an indicator of the success of the scheme that BSKY has sustained a record 97% Positive patient feedback over the years.

21. For supply of free medicine and diagnostic services at Government Hospitals and reimbursement of claims of private hospitals for providing cashless treatment to the patients (BSKY card holders), provision of **Rs.513 crore** has been made under

**NIRAMAYA, Rs.140.00 crore** under **NIDAN** and **Rs.2,380 crore** under **State Health Assurance Society (SHAS)** in the Budget Estimate for 2023-24.

### **Mukhya Mantri Swasthya Seva Mission (MMSSM)**

**22.** The State is laying much emphasis on creation and expansion of health care infrastructure across the State. In the **past 6 years, the State has established 7 new medical colleges** at Balasore, Baripada, Bolangir, Koraput, Puri, Keonjhar and Sundargarh, and **2 new Post Graduate Institutes** at Acharya Harihar Cancer hospital, Cuttack and Capital Hospital, Bhubaneswar. **In 2023-24, it is planned to make the Kalahandi medical college functional**, followed by Talcher, Phulbani and Jajpur in subsequent phases.

**23.** Due to the vision of Hon'ble Chief Minister to strengthen medical education, the State is confidently moving towards self-sufficiency in meeting our need for doctors and specialists. **While Odisha was producing only 321 MBBS doctors and 254 specialists per year in the year 2000, we now produce 2200 MBBS doctors and 826 specialists each year**, and these numbers are increasing each year. In 2021, Hon'ble Chief Minister took a landmark decision to reserve 15% of the MBBS seats for students of Government High Schools. It is a matter of pride for us that, in the past 2 years, 415 students of Government High Schools have been admitted in MBBS courses, under this policy.

**24.** For infrastructure development, an amount of **Rs.3,003 crore** have been proposed in the BE, 2023-24 under the State Scheme **Mukhya Mantri Swasthya Seva Mission**, which includes **Rs.1400 crore** for **SCB Redevelopment Programme**. Additionally, **Rs.71 crore** has been provided towards **Diet, Rs.646**

**crore** towards outsourcing of services for security, sanitation, laundry and maintenance under **NIRMAL** and **Rs.110 crore** towards **Equipment** in the Budget Estimates for 2023-24.

### **108 Ambulance Service**

25. The **108 Ambulance Services** was launched by the Government in 2012-13 to provide emergency transportation service to critically ill patients. The **present Average Response Time of 108 ambulance service across the country is about 30 minutes**. Keeping in mind the motto of the Hon'ble Chief Minister that 'Every Life is Precious', the Government has undertaken an **ambitious target of reducing the Average Response Time of ambulances from 30 minutes to 20 minutes**. Accordingly, it is proposed to induct **236 new Ambulances** into the fleet, for which a budgetary provision of **Rs.250 crore** has been proposed in the Budget Estimate, 2023-24.

### **Odisha Comprehensive Cancer Care Plan**

26. To provide Cancer Care in Chemotherapy, Onco-surgery, Radiotherapy and Palliative Care to the people, it has been planned to establish 11 centers in 3 phases with an indicative estimated cost of Rs. 1,046 crore. A sum of **Rs.211 crore** has been proposed for establishment of **Cancer Care Centers** in the BE for 2023-24.

### **National Health Mission (Rural & Urban)**

27. For implementation of various Centrally Sponsored Schemes, **Rs.2,289 crore** is proposed in Budget Estimates, 2023-24, out of which **Rs.1,911 crore** has been earmarked for **NHM** and **Rs.338 crore** for **PM- Ayushman Bharat Health Care Infrastructure Mission (PM-BHIM)** schemes.



### **Strengthening the Health personnel: No Health Facility without doctor**

28. It is the goal of the Government to ensure that all public health facilities have required numbers of doctors and paramedics. Towards this end, **nearly 4000 doctors have been recruited in the last 5 years alone, and over 5000 doctors are expected to be recruited in 2023-24.** Similarly, the government has **recruited over 9000 nurses and paramedical officers in the last 3 years and another 9000 are expected to be recruited this year.** Additional provision of **Rs.229 crore** has been proposed under Administrative Expenses in the Budget Estimate, 2023-24 towards their establishment charges.

### **Assistance under Harishchandra Sahayata**

29. Under the Harish Chandra Sahayata, the assistance is being increased from Rs.2,000 to **Rs.3,000 for rural areas** and from Rs.3,000 to **Rs.4,000 for urban areas.**

### **Education Sector: Enriching the lives**

**Hon'ble Speaker Sir,**

30. Quality school education is our government's priority. In the words of our beloved Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, *"It is the common responsibility of all of us to help children realize their dreams and it is dreams that chart the way forward in a student's life."* With this in mind, we have launched a **path breaking initiative of High School Transformation.** Driven by the 5T principles, this programme has unleashed new aspirations and opened new horizons for high school students of our State. Today the Government Schools have smart classrooms, modern e-libraries, well equipped laboratories, separate usable toilets for girls and boys with provision of safe and adequate drinking water

facility, advanced sports infrastructure and child-friendly campuses. An aspirational curriculum with modern teaching learning methods aims to produce students ready for the future.

**31.** In the first phase, **1075 High Schools across the State have been transformed with project cost of Rs.620 crore and 3461 High Schools in the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase with project cost of Rs.1699 crore. Further, under the third phase of 5T High School Transformation Programme, about 2336 High Schools are being taken up with a total project cost of Rs.1092 crore.** Our Government has introduced academic calendar, house systems and school level clubs under 5T High schools transformation to support students within and beyond the class room from the academic year 2023-24.

#### **Engagement through WSHGs for provision of watch & ward & housekeeping services:-**

**32.** This program has led to the creation of high-quality assets in the High Schools of Odisha. It is proposed to maintain these assets involving the services of SHGs through budget allocation of **Rs.103 crore.**

#### **Mo School Abhiyan**

**33.** Mo School Abhiyan, launched by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2017, has become one of the largest alumni contributions programmes in the country. In a short span of 5 years, the initiative has been able to connect with 8024 High Schools and 42,239 elementary schools. More than **thirty lakh alumni and community members have joined the Mo School Abhiyan.** 7,71,934 alumni (as on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023) have collaborated with the initiative and **contributed worth Rs.196 crore.** To match the donors' contribution, the State Government has released a total matching grant of **Rs.382 crore**

towards the holistic development of schools. An amount of **Rs.805 crore** has been proposed for the Financial Year, 2023-24.

#### **MUKHYAMANTRI SHIKHYA PURASKAR:-**

**34.** Government of Odisha has launched **Mukhya Mantri Shikhya Puraskar** to encourage healthy competition and to recognize excellence in the transformed schools and other schools of the state.

- A total of 34,500 students will be felicitated with academic award. Leadership award will be given to 17,118 students and scholarships to a total of 2000 meritorious students based on 10th board result and economic criteria.
  - A total of 700 teachers, 419 Head Masters, 58 Cluster Resource Centre Coordinators (CRCCs), 10 Block Education Officers and 3 District Education Officers will be given award for Secondary School category.
  - Under Elementary School category, 350 Head Masters will be felicitated along with 319 Teachers.
  - 1307 schools, 3 best DIETs will be awarded under the institutional category in the Elementary level.
  - 3 districts, 10 blocks, 1057 schools, 414 Best Gram Panchayats, 419 Best School Management Committees, 419 Best Alumni Committees will be awarded at the Secondary level.

**35.** An amount of **Rs.139 crore** is proposed for the Mukhya Mantri Shikhya Puraskar.

**36. TEACHERS' RECRUITMENT:-** Our Government is prioritizing to fill up vacancies through recruitment of teachers in high schools, higher secondary schools. During last year, 11,403 Secondary Teachers were recruited. Further, Cabinet has also given its nod for

**creation of 6025 Leave & Training Reserve (LTR) posts** to be filled in Government Secondary Schools. Also, we have initiated **recruitment of 7540 regular teachers in Government Secondary Schools**. In addition to this, steps are being taken for recruitment of **1799 Junior Assistants and 335 posts of Post Graduate Teachers (PGTs)**. Further, **106 High Schools will be upgraded into Higher Secondary Schools**.

**37. "GANGADHAR MEHER SHIKSHYA MANAKBRUDHI YOJANA"** is implemented to check the dropout rate and encourage the beneficiaries to complete Secondary education which includes supply of **Free Bi-Cycle** to all Students studying in Class-IX of Government, Government Aided, Block Grant High Schools, Sanskrit Tols and Madrasa. It is proposed to **increase the present rate of Rs.2600 to Rs.3500** during the financial year 2023-24. For this, an amount of **Rs.155 crore** has been proposed for the Year 2023-24.

**38.** It is proposed to enhance the amount for provision of school uniform and accessories from **Rs.600 to Rs.1000** during 2023-24. Further, it is proposed to **supply Uniform (including accessories) to all students studying in Class-IX & X of Govt. and Government Aided Schools** during 2023-2024.

**39. Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya Sangathan (OAVS)** is an ambitious initiative of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha, to provide quality education as per CBSE curriculum. Presently, 315 OAVs have been made operational in 313 blocks with one additional OAV at Kotia in Pottangi block of Koraput district. An Iconic OAV is functioning from the current session for Class XI. During the academic session 2022-23, **1,00,253 students are continuing their study in OAVs** out of which 58,343 are girls and 41,910 are boys.

**40.** 166 Girls' Hostel buildings are completed with 6028 girl students residing to undertake their study in a holistic educational environment. Government will be taking up construction of 237 Boys Hostels at a cost estimate of **Rs.1,000 crore**. Total 95.71% of students passed in Class- X of CBSE Board Examination out of which 1052 students secured 90% and above in class X and some students even got admissions in premier institutions like IIT. This august house will feel proud to know that the OAV Ranibhol, Mayurhanj and OAV Hatiota, Ganjam ranked among 10 best schools in the country as per Education World India School Rankings, 2022.

**41.** I propose a **total budget allocation of Rs.22,528 crore for the School and Mass education department.**

#### **ST & SC Development (Education)**

**42.** Our Hon'ble Chief Minister believes that education is the best means of empowering vulnerable population. Our Government is therefore committed to improving the educational status of ST, SC, OBC & Minority communities by implementing various interventions like award of scholarships, provision of Residential School facilities, supply of reading and writing materials, online teaching facilities, economic well-being, livelihood programmes and skill development training of youths.

**43.** Under the **Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chatra Protsahan Yojana** an outlay of **Rs.811 crore** is proposed for disbursement of scholarship to more than 23 Lakhs students of which 60% are girls. The residential facilities and scholarship schemes cover students in pre and post matric grades. In the year 2022-23, 99% students passed secondary board examinations. Keeping holistic development of students in mind, **an additional amount of Rs.1,000 per child per annum has been proposed** and this will augment in providing

proper nutrition to nearly 6 Lakh ST & SC boarders residing in more than 5500 Hostels. The additional amount will be exclusively spent on nutrition by way of providing eggs 4 days in a week and chicken/fish one day a week.

**44. Pre-matric scholarship** for about 6 Lakh ST & SC day scholars has been proposed to be enhanced to Rs.500 per annum for both girls and boys studying in class VI-VIII which will complement parents to meet the expenditure of the child's education.

**45. Post-matric scholarship** is given to incentivize continued education of ST and SC students and support them to take up higher education/ technical education/ professional courses. It is proposed to give an additional Top-up amount of Rs.1000 and Rs.500 annually towards maintenance allowance to hostellers & day scholars respectively.

**46.** Along with this under **ANWESHA**, an outlay of **Rs.124 crore** has been proposed. This programme provides for residential boarding and tuition fees for ST & SC students to pursue English Medium Education in urban areas in reputed English Medium Public Schools. Under **AKANKSHYA Scheme** an outlay of Rs.4 crore has been proposed. Under this scheme, students pursuing higher studies in Urban Areas are being provided with residential accommodation with other facilities.

**47.** Coding, tinkering, ICT labs are being taken up in all 422 High schools in saturation mode. Exclusive **smart learning centers in all High Schools will be dedicated by December 2023.**



## Higher Education

48. Under the guidance of Hon'ble Chief Minister, number of State Government Universities have been increased from 6 in 2000 to 18 in 2023.

49. Our Government believes that higher education is the key to empowering our youth and to enable them to become responsible citizens and contribute towards nation building. The Higher Education Department has therefore embarked on major administrative and educational reforms in the Higher Education Sector. Our Government proposes an outlay of **Rs.3173 crore** for **Higher Education Department**.

50. This includes provision of **Rs.163 crore** for infrastructure development of higher education institutions, **Rs.170 crore** under **Mo College Abhiyan**, **Rs.50 crore** for **distribution of laptop** under Biju Yuva Sashaktikarana Yojana. Promotion of Odia Language and it's culture is at the heart of our collective consciousness. Our government is fully engaged with this sacred duty. **Rs.20 crore is proposed** for **Odia University at Satyabadi, Puri** which will be made operational in December 2023.

51. A sum of **Rs.228 crore** has been allocated for infrastructure development of Government Universities and Colleges under the programme **Odisha Higher Education Programme for Excellence and Equity (OHEPEE)** with financial assistance from the World Bank.

52. I am happy to propose a **new scheme named Mukhya Mantri Medhabi Chhatrabruti Yojana to be implemented for the meritorious students**. 10,000 eligible undergraduate students will get an amount of Rs.10,000/- per annum. Similarly, 5000

eligible PG Students will get scholarship of Rs.15,000/- per annum. 10,000 eligible Technical and Professional Students will get scholarships of Rs.20,000/- per annum.

**53.** From 2023-24, 200 meritorious students selected through entrance exam will be provided free coaching for Civil Services Examination along with free lodging and boarding facilities.

### **Skill Development & Technical Education**

**54.** Government of Odisha has a major thrust on skilling its youth for jobs of tomorrow, through prudent and pro-active interventions in the skill development sector. In the last three years, in spite of Covid pandemic disruptions, more than 5 lakh youth have been trained under various programmes launched by the Government.

**55.** In the Financial Year 2022-23, 11 new Government ITIs have been made functional. In ITIs & Polytechnics quality of education has been enhanced through Centre of Excellence, Mini Tool Rooms, Digital contents, Life Skill training etc. **World Skill Centre, a premier institute is established at Bhubaneswar with state-of-art infrastructure and facilities for providing high-end skill training to youths to make them ready for future jobs.** All the 214 graduating students of the first batch got placed in various reputed companies including international placement of 56 students. **'Skilled in Odisha'** brand is gaining recognition at national and international levels. Our skilled youth have participated in World Skill Competitions and brought laurels to the State.

**56.** As a part of the 5T initiative of the Government, **Odisha University of Technology and Research (formerly CET) will be developed into a University of excellence in the course of next five years with a total outlay of Rs.1,500 Crore. Also, VSSUT, Burla will have a facelift with facilities like smart**

**class rooms, advanced laboratories and computer centres with a spending of Rs.2,000 crore in the course of next five years.** On infrastructure front, a sum of **Rs.241 crore** is proposed for development of Technical Universities, Engineering Colleges, Polytechnics and ITIs.

**57.** Our Government has affirmed its commitment towards increasing the enrolment of girls in technical and vocational education. It has been the stated aim of the government that at least 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the students in ITIs and Polytechnics will be girls. Towards this end the **Sudakhya scheme** was introduced in Government ITIs in the state. Under the scheme, girl students, irrespective of category, are given scholarships so that their education in ITI courses is free of cost. Keeping in view the success of the scheme in augmenting the girls' enrolment in Government ITIs, Government is contemplating extension of the Scheme for the girls enrolled in Government Polytechnics as well with similar terms. For the purpose Government is proposing budget of **Rs. 10 crore.** To promote industry linked training programme and to enhance the employability of youth of the State a sum of **Rs.100 crore** is proposed under Odisha Skill Development Project. Similarly, **Rs.22 crore** is provided to Directorate of Employment for creation of self-employment opportunity for the unemployed youths.

**58.** Building on the success stories in skill development, Odisha would be focusing now on new age emerging technologies to create an opportunity for the youth to make them a formidable skilled workforce of the world who will ultimately be the face of new Odisha. I am extremely pleased to announce that **one lakh youth would be trained in future technologies like Cloud Computing, Artificial Intelligence, Augmented Reality-Virtual Reality, Data Science, 3D printing etc.** An amount of **Rs.100**

**crore** has been earmarked for this new scheme **NUA Odisha (Nutana Unnata Abhilasha)** to be utilized in a time bound manner. We are committed to extend the budget pipeline till the target is achieved.

**59.** Considering the above, I propose an outlay of **Rs.986 crore** for Skill Development & Technical Education which is **22%** higher than the previous year's provision.

### **Sports & Youth Services**

**60.** In recent years, **sports has created a new and unique identity for Odisha.** Our state is being recognized as a **major sports destination** in the country. Sports has become one of the pillars of New Odisha. Hon'ble Chief Minister has been praised as a patron of sports especially hockey, and his **vision of "Sports for youth...youth for future"** leading to sports development and youth empowerment, has been hailed as a model across the country.

**61.** The successful organisation of the FIH Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 last month has been a land mark in the state's sports history. For the first time, the World Cup was held consecutively in the same host nation. Further, this edition was organized in two venues- Bhubaneswar and Rourkela. It was a major challenge to organize the World Cup in Rourkela. In spite of Covid and adverse weather conditions, the Birsa Munda Hockey Stadium, Rourkela was built within a short period of 15 months. Similarly, the 225-room World Cup Village was constructed within 9 months. It's a matter of great pride for all of us that **Birsa Munda Hockey Stadium has been declared as the World's largest fully-seated hockey stadium and certified by Guinness Book of World Records.** This has been possible due to the vision, will and

determination of our Hon'ble Chief Minister. Odisha has emerged as a global hub for hockey with both the top hockey stadiums in the world located in our state.

**62.** Our government will continue to focus on large scale sports development through creation of sports infrastructure, professional coaching programs and supporting national and international sports championships. Odisha has become a preferred destination of the sports federations and sports persons. The 89 multipurpose indoor stadiums in the urban areas have almost been completed and will be operationalised in the coming months. We are building 21 Astroturf-based hockey training centers, swimming training centers, weightlifting training centers, football training centers, gymnastics training centers etc. Regional sports complexes are coming up in cities like Rourkela, Puri, Berhampur, Jeypore, Jharsuguda, Jajpur, Keonjhar etc.

**63.** Continuing the momentum in this sector, the total outlay for Sports and Youth Services has been **enhanced from Rs.149 crore in 2017-18 to Rs.1,217 crore in 2023-24, more than eight-fold increase.** Odisha is leading the country in terms of large-scale investment in sports which will yield dividends in the coming decades.

## **Empowering the State through Empowerment of Vulnerable**

### **Mission Shakti**

**64.** In words of our visionary leader Shri Naveen Patnaik, "**no household, society, state and country has ever moved forward without empowering its women**". He believes that women hold the key to societal transformation. Mission Shakti has transformed the lives of more than 70 lakh women by organizing them into more than 6 lakh Self Help Groups and strengthening

them through income generating activities. With continuous financial support, skill development training and new livelihood avenues, the State Government aims to empower every woman. We are investing in our women and taking initiative to convert our Self-Help Groups to Small & Medium Enterprises. **Our Government plans to provide business worth Rs.10,000 crore to SHGs in the next 5 years.**

**65.** I propose an outlay of **Rs.2,554 crore** for the Department of Mission Shakti which is 27 percent more over the BE for 2022-23. It includes **Rs.996 crore** under **National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)**, **Rs.989 crore** of **Financial Assistance to WSHGs and their Federations** under Mission Shakti program, **Rs.320 crore** for construction of **Mission Shakti Gruha** and **Rs.150 crore** for construction of **Micro Parks** in districts and **Rs.220 crore** for interest subvention to SHGs.

#### **Mission Shakti scooter Yojana**

**66.** Mobility is empowerment. I propose a **new initiative Mission Shakti Scooter Yojana** - Support for electric scooters for Community Support Staff and EC members. Under this scheme, the full interest subvention is proposed on bank loans taken for purchase of electric scooters. I propose a budgetary allotment of **Rs.50 crore** for the Financial Year, 2023-24.

#### **Women & Child Development**

**67.** Our Government, led by Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik, has consistently and unwaveringly placed women and children in the central position while framing policies. Odisha is one of the few states that has introduced and effectively ensured gender and child budgeting, resulting in constant flow of funds for improvement of women and children's nutritional status, early child



care and empowerment of adolescents. In the aftermath of Covid19 pandemic, Odisha introduced **Ashirbad** scheme for children who lost both or primary earning parents that has benefitted more than 50,000 children till date. Its popular Mamata programme, in operation since 2011-12, has provided support to 55.31 lakh pregnant women with total fund release of Rs.2646.56 crore. Odisha has consistently performed better than the national average in the health and nutritional parameters and is committed to eliminating malnourishment.

**68.** We propose an outlay of **Rs.3670 crore** in Budget Estimate, 2023-24 for Women & Child Development schemes and programmes. New initiatives like **Kalika** for creating crèche facility for children, **Samikshya** to improve the nutritional status of pregnant women, **Advika & Adolescent empowerment** to end child marriage and set adolescents on the path to empowerment; and **Sanjog** to follow up of status and support to children in need have been proposed in the budget.

**69.** We also propose an outlay of **Rs.52 crore** under **Ashirbad** for re-enforcing the commitment of Government to bring positive development in the life of children who lost their parental support. **Rs.219 crore** is provided under **MAMATA** scheme. Funds amounting to **Rs.250 crore** has been proposed in the Budget Estimate, 2023-24 for **Mukhyamantri Sampoorna Pushti Yojana** (MSPY). **Rs.91 crore** is proposed in the Budget Estimate under **Malati Devi Prak Vidyalaya Paridhan Yojana** for supply of two uniforms, one pair of shoes and one sweater per child.

### **Social security & empowerment of persons with disability**

**70.** Our Government is committed to ensure social security of elderly, destitute, persons with disabilities and transgender

community under **Madhu Babu Pension Yojana**. The scheme offers pension to over 28 lakh beneficiaries across the State, especially vulnerable people. Total provision of **Rs.4,299 crore** has been made in the Budget for SS&EPD Department, which include allocation of **Rs.3,833 crore** for 48 lakh beneficiaries under Social Security Pension Schemes (MBPY & NSAP).

**71.** To ensure quality residential support and rehabilitation of the vulnerable groups, i.e., senior citizens, persons with disability and transgenders **Rs.141 crore is proposed for establishment of Integrated Infrastructure Complex (IICs) at District Headquarters**. For the welfare of Persons with Disabilities, **Rs.162 crore** is also proposed.

#### **Development of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Castes and Minorities**

**72.** Development of SCs and STs is an integral part of almost all the Schemes of different Departments, especially those relating to health, education, poverty alleviation, rural employment and livelihoods, skill development, housing and electrification. Overall, a sum of **Rs.21,950 crore** under **Tribal Sub-Component** and **Rs.16,487 crore** under **SC Sub-Component** respectively is proposed in 2023-24 totaling to **Rs.38,437 crore for identified Schemes** in the **Programme Budget**.

**73.** Around 3 Lakh SC students are given scholarship annually in pre and post matric grades. 169 exclusive SC hostels have been constructed for nearly 50,000 students. Under skill training, every year more than 3,000 candidates are provided vocational training.

**74.** In SC dominated villages, infrastructure development works such as Community Centers, connectivity, drainage, water supply system etc. have been taken up in 525 villages.

**75. An exclusive Tribal livelihood promotion initiative named as Mukhyamantri Janajati Jeebika Mission will be taken up in the year 2023-24 which will cover 14.5 lakh households in phases.** In the 1<sup>st</sup> phase, 1.5 lakh households will be covered through a cluster approach by utilizing an amount of Rs.500 crore. This will provide input as well as mitigate critical infrastructural needs incidental to livelihood promotion.

**76.** 100-seated 100 OBC hostels are under construction out of which 66 have been completed. For the OBC students along with scholarship and hostel facilities, skill training programmes are undertaken covering more than 3 Lakh students annually.

**77.** For the members of the minority communities exclusive 23 number of 100-seated hostels have been taken up. Besides, to preserve their cultural heritage, 100 number of multi-purpose Community Centers have been taken up. 100 minority educational institutions have been taken up on priority to augment their infrastructure for introducing new age learning facilities.

**78. Special Development Councils (SDCs)** have been set up in 9 tribal dominated districts for preservation of tribal culture, traditions, heritage and unique identity of each tribe. Beginning from 2017-18 to September, 2022, Rs.281 crore has already been spent for sacred groves, tribal culture clubs, weekly market, musical instrument of their culture club, dance customs etc. An amount of **Rs.176 crore** has been provided for the financial year 2023-24.

## **Housing**

**79.** Housing is a basic need of the people. Our Government is committed to providing a decent roof to all eligible households of the State, both in rural and urban areas. We therefore propose **Rs.5,934 crore** under **Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (PMAY)**

**Gramin** and **Rs.487 crore** under **Biju Pucca Ghar** including **Rs.100 crore** towards **interest subvention** under the State scheme. A sum of **Rs.600 crore** is proposed under PMAY-Urban for pucca housing for urban poor.

### **Drinking Water and Sanitation**

**Hon'ble Speaker Sir,**

**80.** Provision of safe drinking water for the people of the State is among the top priorities of our Government. We have embarked upon a plan to increase the coverage of piped water supply and safe drinking water to all the rural households by the end of 2024 and all out efforts are being made to achieve the target within the stipulated time. We have achieved a quantum jump in the areas of rural water supply by conceptualizing **207 Mega Piped Water Supply Projects worth Rs.36,455 crore.**

**81.** I propose a massive investment of more than **Rs.13,215 crore** during the year 2023-24 for piped drinking water from budget and off- budget sources. This includes **Rs.4,750 crore** under **BASUDHA** scheme, **Rs.5,750 crore** under **Jal Jeevan Mission**, and **Rs.269 crore** for **operation and maintenance** of the water supply system. All 691 directly affected villages in 8 mineral-bearing districts will be covered under piped water supply with an estimated cost of **Rs.2127 crore** under **OMBADC** funds and **Rs.588 crore** under **DMF**.

### **Wage employment, livelihoods and basic services**

**82. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)** provides for livelihood security with at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment to the rural households. The labour component of the scheme is directly paid to the wage earners through Direct Benefit Transfer. The material component is

shared between the Centre and the State in the ratio of 75:25 for which we propose to provide **Rs.1,800 crore**.

**83.** To provide assured wage employment to the rural population, I propose a **Corpus Fund of Rs.1,000 crore** to facilitate timely payment of wages under MGNREGA pending receipt of Central Assistance for the wage component.

**84. To stop distress migration from affected blocks, we propose to provide additional 100 days of wage employment under MGNREGA.** We have also enhanced MGNREGA wages at par with minimum wages in these blocks by providing a top-up of about Rs.100 per day from the State's resources. For arresting distress migration, we are implementing a scheme **State Support to MGNREGS** for which **Rs.500 crore** has been allocated. I propose Rs.400 crore for Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihood Mission. A sum of Rs.100 crore has been proposed for Shyama Prasad Mukherjee RURBAN Mission.

**85.** We have taken several new initiatives which are unique in the country. **Odisha is the only state in the entire country to have introduced an Urban Wage Employment Programme Mukhyamantri Karma Tatpara Abhiyan (MUKTA)** under the transformative 5T initiative, amid COVID-19 Pandemic during April, 2020 for wage employment and creation of community assets. I propose an outlay of **Rs.414 crore** for the year 2023-24 under this scheme to create wage employment and climate resilient community assets in urban areas.

## **Economic Sector**

**86.** Odisha has witnessed rapid economic and industrial growth during the last two decades. Since 2016-17, Odisha's economy has grown at an average of 13.1% (nominal) compared to the national average of 10.5%.

## **Roads, Railways and Transport**

**87.** Our Government has envisioned a "New Odisha – Empowered Odisha" where the transport sector is the harbinger of growth, prosperity and empowerment of the people of the state. To materialise the vision, our government has brought all modes of transportation i.e., road, rail, water and civil aviation under the purview of Commerce & Transport Department.

**88.** It gives me satisfaction to announce that all 32 nos. of citizen centric services notified under the Odisha Right To Public Services (ORTPS) Act, 2013, for the C&T Department are being delivered online. In addition, our State has been labelled as "Achiever" among eight coastal states of India in the recent annual assessment for Logistics Ease Across Different State (LEADS) 2022. The C&T Department has launched a futuristic **Odisha Logistics Policy-2022** in the last Make in Odisha Conclave.

**89.** Odisha, a principal maritime state, has identified 14 potential sites for developing Non - Major Ports, out of which, Dhamra and Gopalpur are already functioning and two are under development i.e., Astaranga and Subarnarekha. To facilitate the private developers for development of such Non-Major Ports, the State Government has framed the **Odisha Port Policy-2022**, which was released in the Make in Odisha Conclave-2022.



**90.** This August house would be pleased to know that the **aircraft used by Odisha's Bhoomi Putra, Biju Patnaik for his daredevil Indonesian mission - "The Dakota" has been restored** to be showcased at Bhubaneswar Airport. The shining symbol of Biju Babu's legacy will continue to inspire future generations.

**91.** Safe transportation of people and goods is vital. Odisha is taking pro-active steps in this regard. I am glad to inform that the Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety has assessed Odisha as a **high performer** State. To strengthen the road safety activities, grant to **Road Safety Fund** has been enhanced and **Rs. 40 crore** is proposed in the budget.

**92.** I am glad to announce that an ambitious Umbrella Scheme "**Mukhyamantri Sadaka Surakshya Yojana**" is going to be implemented under which various technology aided initiatives have been included. 4 Institutes of Driving Training & Research (IDTR) have been established at Keonjhar, Berhampur in Ganjam district, Bonai in Sundargarh district and Chattia in Jajpur district as measure of producing quality drivers for which **Rs.25 crore** has been earmarked. For automatic inspection of vehicular fitness, Automated Testing Stations (ATS) will be established in six places, i.e., at Bhubaneswar, Sambalpur, Rourkela, Ganjam, Angul and Keonjhar. Similarly, to avoid congestion on NH/SH which is one of the causes of road accidents, Government is going to establish Truck Terminals initially in eight districts i.e., in Angul, Bhadrak, Balasore, Kendrapada, Deogarh, Sambalpur, Sundargarh and Nawarangpur. For undertaking the above programs, **Rs.80 crore** has been proposed in the budget under modernization head.

**93.** Our Government is striving for rapid development of Railway infrastructure in the state. An outlay of **Rs.320 crore** has been

proposed for development of Railway projects during 2023-24. This amount will be provided towards state contribution for Khurda Road-Bolangir, Jeypore-Nabarangpur, Jeypore-Malkangiri and Bargarh-Nuapada New Railway line Projects.

**94.** The Commerce & Transport Department has launched an ambitious sectoral policy namely **Odisha Civil Aviation Policy, 2022** to improve air connectivity, unlock the potential in the sector and create jobs for businesses. I sincerely thank Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for extending the services of affordable connectivity to Odisha under UDAN scheme. Complementing the efforts of Government of India, the state has continued to contribute towards growth of the aviation sector through financial incentives for regional connectivity. Further efforts shall be made for strengthening the intra-state connectivity under state sponsored routes. **Rs.45 crore** has been provided towards VGF subsidy under UDAN Scheme for connecting the airports of Jharsuguda, Jeypore and upcoming state airports.

**95.** Construction of a Green field Shri Jagannath International airport at Puri; renovation and expansion of Jeypore Airport in Koraput, Utkela in Kalahandi, Rangeilunda in Ganjam and Malkangiri Airstrips have been taken up. In addition, the maintenance of 8 State owned airstrips are being planned. **Biju Patnaik Aerospace Academy at Birasal, Dhenkanal will be transformed into a world-class pilot training center, with an annual capacity of 500 pilots, in phases.** An amount of **Rs.275 crore** is earmarked for this year.

**96.** Our Government has taken a pathbreaking initiative for **connecting Odisha to the World** by direct flight connectivity to international destinations like Dubai, Singapore and Bangkok. The

connectivity to Dubai will open Odisha to Middle-East, Europe and beyond while the connectivity to Singapore and Bangkok will open Odisha to South-East and Far-East Asia. This will boost employment opportunities, investment ecosystem, Tourism and cultural exchange. I am happy to propose **Rs.100 crore** for the purpose.

**97.** Our Government has been continuously striving for citizen friendly infrastructure to facilitate the passengers with quality amenities at Bus Stands. I am happy to announce "**Ama Bus Stand**" scheme which is implemented by the OSRTC in **each block of Odisha**. In the first phase, 55 Ama Bus Stands are being developed at different locations, this will benefit **75 lakh people** in the state and create **new job opportunities** and aid the Women SHGs with commercial opportunities. Construction of 50 new Ama Bus Stands will be taken up in the next phase for which **Rs.150 crore** has been allocated.

**98.** I am happy to announce **a new scheme - "Location accessible multimodal initiative (LACCMI)** to facilitate assured and affordable transportation for the people across the state. Rail connectivity is still a challenge in the state due to which efficient road transportation need to be focused. The earlier schemes namely Biju Gaon Gadi Yojana (BGGY) for rural public transport connectivity and Rajdhani Express for connecting the District Headquarters with the state capital by the state owned OSRTC shall be subsumed under LACCMI for a seamless operation. The objectives of the scheme are to provide first and last mile connectivity across the state focusing on rural areas. Also, seamless intermodal connecting services shall be taken up for stage carriage buses, railway stations, commercial centers, healthcare centers and educational institutions. The scheme will also take up additional modes of transportation like air / water specially for the remote areas with focus on healthcare

services. A sum of **Rs.100 crore** is being proposed for this purpose.

**99.** Road infrastructure development is a major thrust area for the government. It has been the endeavor of Hon'ble Chief Minister to ensure that quality connectivity is available to every corner of the State. The Gurupriya bridge in Swabhiman Anchal is the best example of this government's sensitivity to connect the remotest parts of the State.

**100.** To provide the best connectivity to Western Odisha, the 4-lane Biju Expressway connecting Rourkela to Ampani for a length of 546 km has been constructed. Out of this, the last phase of 176 km from Ghatipada (Nuapada) to Ampani has been completed during 2022-23 with a cost of Rs.600 crore. It will be inaugurated shortly by the Hon'ble Chief Minister. **Biju Expressway will be one of the drivers of economic growth of Western Odisha.**

**101. I am happy to announce that in the second phase of Biju Expressway-II, 4-lane connectivity will be provided from Berhampur to Jeypore for about 335 km with a cost of about Rs.6100 Crore, mostly in greenfield.** Land acquisition for the project has been initiated. This will reduce the travel time between the two cities from 10 hours to 5 hours and provide huge potential for economic growth and employment opportunities.

**102. In 2023-24, Works Department shall take up double-laning of about 3000 km of roads with improved riding quality at a cost of Rs.4,600 crore.**

**103.** Three major bridges have been completed this year at a cost of Rs.500 crore over river Mahanadi at Boudh and Athamallik and over river Brahmani at Kaluria (Dhenkanal). **9 nos. of major bridges and ROBs shall be completed during 2023-24 at a cost of Rs.1,000 crore.**

**104.** Under Biju Setu Yojana, we have already completed **1238** bridge projects and over 900 projects are in different stages of execution with an investment of Rs.5168 crore. It is proposed to take up **526 new bridge projects during the year 2023-24 with a Budget provision of Rs. 1,900 crore.** Our Government is also planning to take up **1500 new bridges with an approximate investment of over Rs.6000 crore in the next 5 years.**

**105.** To improve mobility and provide better access to market and urban services in rural areas, our Government has already taken up 6629 Km of roads under the flagship scheme of Mukhyamantri Sadak Yojana with an investment of Rs.2806 crore since 2015-16. **During the financial year 2023-24, it is proposed to take up 6000 Km of roads under the flagship scheme of Mukhyamantri Sadak Yojana with a budget outlay of Rs.2071 crore. Our Government is also planning to take up another 15,000 Km of rural road with an investment of over Rs.12,000 crore in the next 5 years.** To ensure pothole-free rural roads, it is proposed to take up **maintenance of 50,000 km of roads during the financial year 2023-24 with an outlay of Rs.1,182 crore.** In respect of rural roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), I propose a sum of **Rs.1,450 crore** under this programme.

**106.** To ensure a major boost to the infrastructure and continue the momentum of development, our Government proposes to make an investment of **Rs.19,452 crore** under Roads, Bridges, Airports and Railways which **is 34 percent higher** than last year.

### **Energy Sector**

**107.** Electricity is the prime mover of the economy. Hence, our Government has given utmost importance to development of the

power sector. Hon'ble Chief Minister's vision is to provide quality and reliable power supply to farmers, small, medium, and large industries, commercial establishments and general consumers. To achieve the same, the budgetary allocation to Energy Department has gone up manifold; from Rs. 306 crore in Financial Year 2000-01 to **Rs.3003 crore** in Financial Year 2023-24.

**108.** The number of electricity consumers has gone up from 16 lakh in the year 2000 to more than 97 lakh now. About 97 percent of the households have access to electricity. Hon'ble Chief Minister has declared that the **remaining households shall be provided electricity connection by 15<sup>th</sup> of August, 2023 under Biju Gram Jyoti Yojana (BGJY).**

**109.** The number of Grid Sub-stations has gone up from 58 in the year 2000 to 188 by January, 2023. With completion of more than 460 nos. of 33/11 KV sub-stations under ODSSP in the last few years the quality and reliability of power supply has improved. Due to manifold increase in the number of consumers some interior pockets are facing problems of low voltage. **More than 100 number of 33/11 KV sub-stations shall be commissioned by March, 2024 under Chief Minister's Power Development Programme (CMPDP). With the commissioning of the ongoing power infrastructure projects, the low voltage problem shall be mitigated across the State over the next twelve months.**

## **Renewable Energy**

**110.** Climate change is the most pressing issue of present times. De-carbonisation of the energy sector is a key component of our Government's action plan to mitigate the adverse consequences of climate change.

**111.** Our Government has come up with a Best in Class **Renewable Energy Policy, 2022** to give a big push to generation of renewable energy. **Rs.50 crore has been proposed in the Budget for Green Energy Evacuation Corridor.** Another **Rs.50 crore has been proposed for Odisha Renewable Energy Development Fund.**

### **Energy Conservation**

**112.** Hon'ble Chief Minister has always emphasised on conservation of energy. A **new scheme is being launched to promote use of energy efficient home/ household appliances under Chief Minister's Energy Conservation Programme (CMECP), for which Rs.250 crore has been proposed.**

### **Future growth engines (Industry, MSME, Tourism, etc.)**

**113.** In the last few years **Odisha has emerged as the most preferred investment destination in diverse sectors** ranging from metallurgy, metals, cement, textiles, chemicals, petro-chemicals, food processing, logistics and tourism. This is an outcome of the intensive and focussed work done by Government in improving policy framework, industrial infrastructure and ground level facilitation to investors.

**114.** Today, Odisha has acquired leadership position in several sectors of industry. From 2 MT of steel in two plants in the year 2000, we have achieved 30 MT of steel in more than 10 large steel plants, from 0.5 MT of aluminium in one plant, we have reached 3.5 MT in 4 plants and from 2 MT of cement in 2 plants we have reached 15 MT in 5 plants. We have achieved similar progress in chemicals, petro-chemicals, textiles, food processing and tourism. Today, manufacturing and services contribute nearly 40% each to our GSDP.

**115.** Industrial infrastructure is important for industrial investments and employment generation. Therefore, our Government has systematically increased the budget for industrial infrastructure. A long-term budget pipeline for long gestation industrial projects has been planned with an indicative budget of **Rs.3,500 crore for the next 5 years. This will be utilised for vital infrastructure such as MSME parks; IT towers; hostels for workers, effluent treatment plants; multi-modal logistics and warehousing.**

**116.** The State Government has set up several sector specific industrial parks e.g. Paradeep. Plastic park, Anugul aluminium park, Khurda food park, Deras Sea-food park and 14 MSME parks are under construction. This infrastructure will help catalyze the growth of local Micro, Small and Medium entrepreneurs.

**117.** The Government has recently promulgated **New Industrial Policy IPR-2022** along with several sector-specific policies in textiles, food processing, MSME, Port, IT, electronics and data centres. Sufficient provision has been made in the budget for providing incentives to the eligible industries. Our investment facilitation mechanism has been strengthened to ensure that all eligible incentives are paid on time leading to increased Ease of Doing Business in Odisha.

**118.** Our Government has made **special provisions for development of industries in western Odisha where several industrial parks are being set up along the Biju Express Way.** Investors in these parks will be eligible for deemed thrust sector incentives irrespective of the nature of industries. Further, our new Industrial Policy provides special incentives to employment intensive sectors including health and education services anywhere



in Odisha. This will give big boost to employment generation in the coming years.

**119.** We are proposing an outlay of **Rs.790 crore** for Industries Department for the year 2023-24. This is more than ten times increase in the budget compared to around Rs.70 crores in the year 2018-19. There is strong commitment of the Government to make Odisha as a major industrial destination. Our Government is proposing a **new scheme District Investment Promotion Agency (DIPA)** in this year's Budget with an allocation of **Rs.15 crore**. I am proposing an outlay of **Rs.200 crore** for the **Land Bank** in the State, **Rs.280 crore** under **Cluster Development Fund**, **Rs.20 crore** for the development of **Mega Textile Park at Dhamra, Bhadrak**, **Rs.20 crore** for creating a **common effluent treatment plant at Paradeep** for **PCPIR**, and **Rs.10 crore** for **Mega Aluminium Park at Angul** and **Rs.45 crore** as **Financial Assistance to Down Stream Metal Industries**. I am also proposing **Rs.55 crore** for **Redevelopment of Kalinga Studio** and **Rs.21 crore** under **Development of Utility Corridor at Gopalpur**.

#### **Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises and Start-Ups**

**120.** Our Hon'ble Chief minister has the vision to make our local MSME products competitive in global markets. Our Government is striving to create an atmosphere conducive to manufacturing and processing by facilitating ease of doing business and providing infrastructure support. With this objective, the allocation for the **MSME sector** has been increased to **Rs.648 crore** during 2023-24.

**121.** Finance and marketing are the biggest challenges faced by Micro and Small Manufacturing Industries of Odisha, especially after Covid-19 interruptions. When the business activity is expanding

beyond the pre-Covid level, MSME industries of Odisha are facing working capital problem.

**122.** To address these challenges, State Government proposes to reduce interest burden of working capital loan availed from banks by micro and small manufacturing enterprises including working capital for their export, a **new scheme for the financial year 2023-24 is proposed in the name of " Chief Minister's Post-Covid revival package for MSMEs – Interest subvention on working capital loan"** whereby interest on working capital loan availed from banks where the cash credit (pre-shipment/packaging credit in case of export) limit is up to Rs.10 lakh shall be fully reimbursed by the State Government for entire 2023-24 financial year and shall be reimbursed to the extent of 25% for entire 2023-24 financial year where the cash credit limit (pre-shipment/packaging credit in case of export) is above Rs.10 lakh and up to Rs. 3 crore. We have a plan to spend **Rs.200 crore** for this component under this new scheme. The reimbursement amount will be credited in bank account of the beneficiary industrial units directly in DBT mode half-yearly.

**123.** "The Odisha Procurement Preference Policy for MSEs '2015" will be replaced by a **new policy which will make it mandatory for Odisha Government entities to procure rate contract and exclusive list items from Micro and Small Manufacturing Units of Odisha.** It will also have beneficial provisions for micro and small manufacturing units of Odisha such as price and purchase preferences in open tenders and relaxation of eligibility conditions to take part in open tenders.

**124.** Odisha's '**O-Hub**' has been promoting start-up eco-system in the State. Wholly-owned and operated by the State Government,

the centralised incubator located in the Bhubaneswar Special Economic Zone, facilitates innovators, mentors and corporate partners to work under one roof. For the above purpose, our Government is proposing a **new Scheme Infrastructure Development under Start-Up Policy** in this Budget with provision of **Rs.150 crore**.

**125.** We propose an outlay of **Rs.20 crore** as **Funds for Start-Up Odisha**, **Rs.45 crore** as subsidies under **Food Processing and MSME Policy**, **Rs.15 crore** as incentive under **IPR** for financial assistance to MSME Sectors, **Rs.80 crore** for **Promotion of MSME Sectors**, and **Rs.42 crore** for **Promotion of Khadi & Village Industries**.

### **Electronics and Information Technology**

**126.** Hon'ble Chief Minister firmly believes that the future of Odisha will be based on a knowledge economy. And therefore, there has been major emphasis on bringing the Electronics and Information technology companies to the state. Our government has approved **4 new policies**, namely IT/ITeS policy, Electronics policy, Data Centre Policy and BPO policy. These policies are among the best in the country and expected to attract significant investment.

**127.** In last few months, we have been able to realise the investment intents signed during the Make In Odisha conclave. **IBM, Deloitte, Happiest Minds, PWC, Incture, Innovare tech, Opex America, Yovant and many more IT companies have already opened their centers in Odisha.** More companies are in the process of establishing their centers in Odisha.

**128.** Our government has taken a significant decision to reduce lease rentals to Rs 20 per square feet for IT companies in State owned IT towers which has made Odisha a preferred IT destination.

To add to the momentum, I would like to inform this august house that we plan to **create 2 million square feet of ready built spaces** with plug and play facility for IT/ESDM companies. We hope this will further attract the IT companies and provide employment to our youth.

**129.** We will initiate an ambitious **O-CHIP - Odisha Chip Program** to create an ecosystem in the field of Electronics design and manufacturing. It will be a Govt supported CoE (Centre of excellence) that will have top rated industry association and also academicians of top research institutions. This program will create an environment for research, design, testing and manufacturing under one umbrella. This will create high end jobs of more than 5000 in near future.

**130.** Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning is rapidly changing the way we live and work. Odisha in collaboration with an international IT company will train eligible and interested person and create AI City Clusters. In the first phase, it will be rolled out for Puri-Bhubaneswar-Cuttack to make it the first AI City cluster of the country. We will also give AI training to all Government officials across the State.

**131.** An **undersea cable landing station at Puri** is being planned to make Data reliability and affordability. This Landing Station will invigorate the Data Centre, Entertainment, telecom and FinTech markets. Odisha thus can become the Digital hub for the East, central and North East India.

**132.** To provide mobile network in areas where there are no telecom services, our Govt under direction of Hon'ble Chief Minister has approved for giving land free for mobile towers and State is working closely with all mobile operators to ensure that mobile coverage is available everywhere in the State by March 2024.

**133.** Today, Odisha is the only State which has an enterprise platform like OSWAS for efficient use of technology to improve governance. Now flow of files and information in Government of Odisha is seamlessly extended to all the district level offices as well. We will be further strengthening this system across all offices.

**134.** Our government has strengthened the Mo Seba Kendras to ensure effective public delivery of Government services. We have created one umbrella website/application called Odisha One and now it has more than 550 services available to citizens. We plan to increase Mo Seba kendras to 10,000 this year by opening in GP offices.

**135.** In last 4 years, State has increased IT budget from Rs.125 crore in 2018-19 to over Rs.300 crore in 2022-23. Considering the potential of job creation and ease of getting govt service for citizens, we propose to increase budget allocation to **Rs.356 crore** for Electronics & IT Department for the year 2023-24.

### **Urban Development**

**136.** To realize the dream of Hon'ble CM to provide safe and clean drinking water through pipe water connection to every household, massive investments have been made for the past 5 years. **So far 85 cities including all five corporations namely Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Berhampur, Sambalpur & Rourkela have achieved tap connection to 100% households and the remaining 30 cities would achieve this by December 2023.**

**137.** Government is implementing Drink from Tap mission to bring the water supply service standards on par with international standards. Puri and Gopalpur have become India's 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> cities to achieve this distinction and the implementation is going on in

21 cities which will be completed by March 2024 benefiting 40 lakhs urban population. **Execution of Drink from tap mission will be completed in Berhampur by June 2023 and in the remaining cities including Bhubaneswar, Cuttack & Rourkela by December 2023. An amount of Rs.144 crore is provisioned for the Urban Water Sector for Financial Year 2023-24.**

**138.** With WATCO receiving the distinction of Global Water Leader Award in the Global Water Summit held in Spain in 2022, **Odisha has achieved the distinction of being the 1<sup>st</sup> state in the country to provide 24 X 7 Drink from Tap quality water.**

**139.** Recognizing the crucial role of slum dwellers in building and sustaining cities this government is implementing JAGA mission to provide Land Rights and transform the slums to Adarsh colonies. So far more than 1.73 lakhs slum families have been granted with land right certificates and another **1 lakhs families living in the five Municipal Corporation - Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Berhampur, Rourkela and Sambalpur - will be issued Land Right Certificates by Dec 2023.**

**140.** To improve the livability of slum dwellers, slums are transformed into Adarsh Colonies with all infrastructure, amenities and services at par with rest of the cities. So far 725 slums are upgraded as Adarsh Colonies and two towns namely Hinjilkut and Digapahandi have achieved slum-free status. The state is fast moving towards achieving **slum-free status in all the ULBs by March 2024. Odisha's JAGA mission as World's largest slum land rights and upgradation programme has successfully demonstrated that eviction is not the way to resolve the slum issues rather empowerment is. We have won two UN Habitat- World Habitat awards in 2019 and 2023.** Apart from

transforming the slums to Adarsh Colonies to make the cities slum free, Odisha is also pioneering slum proofing cities to proactively prevent formation of new slums. A pilot initiative on slum proofing has been started in six towns of Odisha.

**141.** To ensure safety of citizen and enhance productivity of the cities, Smart LED Street Lighting programme is being implemented with Rs. 700 crore investment in all ULBs. More than 4.3 lakhs Street Lights are illuminating the cities using about 10000 Command and Control systems. Efforts are on to ensure that no street or road is left without Smart LED Street Lights **Additional one lakh Street Lights with an investment of Rs.300 crore would be installed in the coming months.**

**142.** To provide affordable public facilities for organizing social and family events, **400 multi-purpose Kalyan Mandaps will be constructed** - 10 each in every municipal corporation, 4 in each municipality and 2 in each NACs. **Under Ama Pokhari initiative, 100 Water bodies will be taken up for rejuvenation and for creating public space for entertainment.**

**143.** This government is committed to enhance the livability of the urban areas by providing all civic amenities. For **transforming Urban Odisha**, we propose to provide **Rs.7,914 crore** in the Budget for the year 2023-24. This is a quantum jump in the budgetary allocation for the urban development which has increased 28 times from Rs.276 crore in Financial Year 2000-01.

### **Handloom, Handicrafts and Industries**

**144.** Given the high level of skills of our weavers and artisans and the potential to generate employment, we propose an outlay of **Rs.219 crore** for Handloom, handicrafts, sericulture and textile sector. The main thrust will be to improve designs, enhance

productivity, assist with marketing support and credit linkage, build capacity of weavers and artisans and provide social security.

## **Forest, Environment & Climate Change**

**145.** The forest and tree cover in the State constitutes 39.31 percent of the geographical area which is more than the National Average. As per the Forest Survey of India (FSI), 2021, there has been an increase of 537 Sq. Km. (53,700 Ha) of forest cover in the State (the 3rd highest in the country). There is also an increase of 8 sq. km of mangrove forest in the State which is the highest in the country. We propose to provide **Rs.2,184 crore** for the forestry sector in 2023-24.

**146.** In order to mitigate adverse effects of deforestation, mining and industrial activities, afforestation and improvement of wildlife habitat are being taken up in convergence mode. About **Rs.1,027 crore** is programmed to be spent under **CAMPA** for afforestation and wildlife activities and **Rs.53 crore** under **Green Mahanadi Mission** and maintenance of plantation and **Rs.50 crore** is proposed for implementation of an Externally Aided Loan Assistance Project of JICA known as **Odisha Forestry Sector Development Project Phase-II**. A sum of **Rs.70 crore** is proposed for **Wildlife Protection and Conservation measures** including **Elephant Corridor**.

**147.** Emphasis will be made on bringing more and more forest area under Joint Forest Management providing livelihood support to forest fringed villagers through **Ama Jungle Yojana** Scheme for which **Rs.16 crore** is proposed. In the Participatory Forest protection process Vana Surakhya Samiti are playing a key role. Our government is determined to promote VSS as a grassroot level institution to ensure the desired results.



**148.** In this direction, a new initiative - 'Mukhyamantri Van Surakshya Kendra' – will be launched in this year to construct 10,000 kendras in the VSS areas of the state at a total project cost of Rs 500 crore. In the implementation of this target, Panchayati Raj Department will be directly involved.

**149.** The Consolidation and Eco- restoration work in Chilika Lagoon and development of Eco-tourism will be the other major priorities. We propose an outlay of **Rs.30 crore** under **development and promotion of Ecotourism** in the Budget Estimates, 2023-24.

**150.** Hon'ble Chief Minister has always supported the measures towards the welfare of the Kendu Leaf pluckers. Taking forward this policy, I propose a **Special Bonus Fund for Kendu Leaf Pluckers to be created in the Budget for providing additional Bonus to the Kendu Leaf Pluckers out of GST contribution received out of Sale of Kendu Leaves.**

#### **Transformation of heritage sites**

**151.** Our Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik has a vision to transform major heritage and religious sites of the State into world-class pilgrim centres. Starting with the **Puri Sri Mandir**, we have taken the initiatives for the transformation of major heritage sites, such as **Lingaraj Temple, Chandi Temple at Cuttack, Nilamadhav Temple at Kantilo, Sarala Temple in Jagatsinghpur district, Samaleswari Temple development in Sambalpur, Maa Taratarini temple in Ganjam district** and other major temples under 5T initiatives. We propose to provide **Rs.224 crore** under **ABADHA** scheme for the development of heritage city Puri, **Rs.150 crore** under **Integrated Development of Heritage and Monuments and Tourist Destination.**

## Tourism Development

**152.** The Tourism sector has large employment and income generation potential and contributes significantly to the State's income. Our Government has formulated the new **Odisha Tourism Policy, 2022** with a vision to introduce niche tourism products and experiences, create resilient tourism infrastructure and taking tourism to potential but unexplored destinations of Odisha. The new policy offers unmatched fiscal and non-fiscal incentives to attract private sector investments.

**153.** An outlay of **Rs.660 crore** has been proposed under the Programme Expenditure for overall development of Tourism sector, which includes provision of **Rs.400 crore** for **Development and Management of Tourist Infrastructure**, **Rs.157 crore** for **tourism promotion** and **Rs.30 crore** for **Baristha Nagarika Tirtha Yatra Yojana**.

## Planning & Convergence

**154.** Planning & Convergence Department looks after the overall developmental planning of the State and takes up programmatic interventions for reducing regional imbalance. Our Government has introduced **Infrastructure Development Fund Scheme (IDFS) for KBK districts** with an outlay of Rs.130 crore in 2023-24 to undertake durable infrastructure in the fields of irrigation, inter-district roads, critical Rural roads, drinking water supply and development of ST/SC school buildings and hostels. An outlay of **Rs.441 crore** is proposed towards **MLALAD Fund**; **Rs.250 crore** is provided under **Biju KBK Yojana** for effective implementation of **Bijli, Sadak and Pani** projects in KBK Districts; and **Rs.120 crore** is proposed for **Special Development Programme** in the Districts. In order to remove regional imbalance a sum of **Rs.325 crore** is proposed towards **Grants to Western Odisha**

**Development Council (WODC).** Further, **Rs.42 crore** is being proposed for **Critical Gap Fund** to address local needs in critical sectors at the district level. An amount of **Rs.200 crore** is proposed under **Special Problem Fund** to take up small and essential projects in a locality having urgent need and **Rs.29 crore** is provided for **Biju Kandhamala O Gajapati Yojana**. An amount of **Rs.50.00 crore** has been provisioned under the Scheme **SETU** in 2023-24. A sum of **Rs.13,104 crore** has been proposed for Planning & Convergence Department.

### **Convergence with extra-budgetary resources**

**155.** We have planned to deploy extra budgetary resources to the tune of **Rs.8,232 crore**, which includes **Rs.3,698 crore** under **District Mineral Foundation (DMF)** and **Rs.4,534 crore** under **Odisha Mineral Bearing Area Development Corporation (OMBADC)** Fund, through convergence to complement and supplement the development efforts of the State Government. Funds would be allocated for projects under eligible sectors.

### **Disaster Management**

**156.** Odisha is prone to disasters and over time, we have improved our disaster management capabilities for which we are well recognized within the country and outside. We propose to provide **Rs.3,700 crore** for Disaster Management including **Rs.2,358 crore** under **State Disaster Risk Management Fund (SDRMF)** and **Rs.1,342 crore** under **National Disaster Risk Management Fund (NDRMF)**.

### **Transformative Initiatives in Land Revenue Administration**

**157.** Under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble CM, after introduction of 5T Charter in Revenue & DM Department, many transformative initiatives have been undertaken in the Department. All the 34 services of the Department can be applied, tracked &

availed in online mode except in cases of statutory requirement. Through process re-engineering & ICT, services are delivered within ORTPS timeline. **Delivery timeline for uncontested mutation cases has been reduced from 90 days to 7 days.** Last year alone, approximately **21,000 mutation cases have been disposed of within one day** of Registration & approximately, **2 Lakh mutation cases have been disposed of within 7 days of Registration.** Similarly, in 2022, approximately, 52 Lakh Miscellaneous & Caste Certificates have been delivered. Registered sale deed, encumbrance certificate and certified copy of registered document are now delivered much before the ORTPS timeline. Due to constant monitoring, land acquisition for linear projects has been fast-tracked. A **land bank of approximately 35,000 Acre has been created for compensatory afforestation** and this has facilitated execution of various developmental projects.

**158.** Similarly, under the guidance of our Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government has been working continuously to reduce physical interface between Government offices & Citizens. Virtual Court has been commissioned in 80 Tahasils on pilot basis with existing infrastructure and large number of cases have been heard & disposed through Virtual Court in a transparent manner. It helps Citizens to attend the Court without incurring cost of travel to the Tahasil & without loss of wage & time. **After receiving overwhelming feedback in support of Virtual Court, our Government has decided to roll out the same in all the Tahasils of the State from next Financial Year.** Hence, to strengthen Virtual Courts in Tahasils, Government has made a provision of **Rs. 30 crore** for Revenue & DM Department under IT infrastructure head. This will ensure more people friendly & hassle-free Revenue Administration.

**159.** A sum of **Rs.1,587 crore** has been proposed for Revenue Administration, Survey Settlement and Consolidation operations and Registration. This includes Construction of Buildings, Digitisation of Land Records, Computerization of Registration Offices and Protection of Government Land.

### **Internal Security and Administration of Justice**

**160.** Towards the objective of maintaining law and order and creating a conducive environment for attracting investments into the State, we propose **Rs.8,130 crore** during 2023-24 for delivery of justice, maintenance of internal security, prevention & control of crimes and fire services etc. In the last 5 years, 106 new Courts were made functional. Thrust has been given to fill the gap of the housing requirement of police personnel across the State. An amount of **Rs.395 crore** has been proposed towards the **construction of Residential and Non-residential buildings** of police, fire, and prison organization. Besides, **Rs.372 crore** is proposed for the **development of infrastructure facilities for the Judiciary**. Amount to the tune of **Rs.10 crore** has been proposed for **digitisation of High Court records**. Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, **Rs.106 crore** has been proposed for **development of Infrastructure facilities of Judiciary** and **Rs.40 crore** has been proposed for **POCSO Court**.

**161.** **Rs.83 crore** is proposed for launching of **Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) Dial-112**, a nationwide distress call for all types of emergency services. An amount of **Rs.18 crore** has been proposed for the **Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS)** project and an amount of **Rs.40 crore** has been proposed for **Strengthening Forensic Science Laboratories**

for increasing the conviction rate and expeditious dispensation of justice.

### **Public Financial Management Reforms**

**162.** We have undertaken many initiatives to promote efficiency and effectiveness of public expenditure. Some of the key initiatives include Multi Year Budget Ceiling framework, close monitoring of SDG goals through PMU, Budget stabilization fund - constituted in 2022-23 with corpus of **Rs.13,700 crore**, managed by RBI which will be further enhanced by Rs 5000 crores this year, launching of e-bank guarantee, Just in Time funding system and Scheme-based Bank Management System (SBMS) etc.

**163.** Since Banking is an essential service for financial Inclusion, in order to extend banking services in all unbanked GPs in phased manner, Government in consultation with RBI, NABARD and SLBC has **identified 270 un-banked GPs for opening Brick and Mortar branches** on priority. Out of this, 150 unbanked GPs have been funded with Rs. 9.50 lakh each for creation of Infrastructure. Further Government is also carrying out consultation with SLBC, RBI, NABARD & Controlling Heads of major banks for devising a low-cost banking outlet model to be deployed across the State so as to provide uninterrupted banking services to all unbanked GPs.

### **Conclusion**

**164.** Odisha Under the visionary leadership of our beloved Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik, has achieved many landmark development milestones in just two decades. He has always set very high standards of public service delivery and ambitious development goals for his Government, thereby pushing his team to achieve what once appeared impossible. I hope that this Budget is a reflection of our commitment.

**165.** Odisha will move ahead and play an important role in nation building in the years to come. Let us continue to work together for empowerment of all sections. In this noble and uncompromising task, I humbly request all the people of the Odisha to extend their full support and cooperation. Let us dedicate ourselves to fulfill the vision of our Hon'ble Chief Minister which is inclusive, pro-people, aspirational and futuristic. I commend the Budget Estimates for 2023-24 for the approval of this August House.

**Vande Utkal Janani  
Jai Hind**