

BUDGET 2024-25

SPEECH

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Hon'ble Speaker Sir,

I rise to present the Budget for FY 2024-25 before this august House.

- 1) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, it is my privilege and honour to present the fifth successive Budget of the Government.
- 2) On behalf of all Haryanvis, I offer heartfelt gratitude to our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji for enabling the construction of Ram Mandir and consecration of Lord Shri Ram Lalla ji at Ayodhya after almost five hundred years of waiting and struggle. I am sure that this will help usher in a new era of Good Governance in the spirit of Ram Rajya and will contribute to "Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat".
- Modi ji, India continues to shine in international arena. India is the fastest growing economy in the world with growth rate of 6.7 percent in 2023. Through Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Prayas and Sabka Vishwas the Nation successfully faced the challenge of the Coronavirus Pandemic and provided exemplary leadership in the recently held G-20 summit.
- 4) The last 9 years were incredible for Haryana, which witnessed emergence of a new and vibrant state, getting recognition for its transparent, technology-based governance model. The Government has worked for social and geographical inclusivity, wherein all strata of the society and all regions of the state are being developed without any prejudice or discrimination.
- 5) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the next two decades up to 2047 is the Amrit Kaal where India will be amongst the foremost

developed nations in the world, where India will emerge as the Vishwa Guru. In this journey of Vikasit Bharat, Vikasit Haryana will play an important part. We will have to lay foundations of Vikasit Bharat and Vikasit Haryana by our collective effort and concentrated action.

Macroeconomic Parameters

- 6) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, during the period 2014-15 to 2023-24, the Gross State Domestic Product, at constant prices (2011-12 prices) of Haryana has recorded a compound annual growth rate of 6.1 percent from ₹3,70,535 crore in 2014-15 to ₹6,34,027 crore in 2023-24. GSDP at constant prices (2011-12 prices) at the national level has recorded acompound annual growth rate of 5.6 percent during the same period. Haryana's faster growth as compared to national growth has meant that the share of Haryana's GSDP in All-India GDP has increased from 3.5 percent in 2014-15 to 3.7 percent in 2023-24.
- **7)** Haryana has witnessed a year-on-year growth in its GSDP at constant prices of 8.0 percent in 2023-24, whereas the national GDP registered a growth rate of 7.3 percent during the same period.
- 8) The national per capita income at current prices has increased by 114 percent from ₹86,647 in 2014-15 to ₹1,85,854 in 2023-24, whereas it has increased by 121 percent in Haryana from ₹1,47,382 in 2014-15 to ₹3,25,759 in 2023-24.

Sectoral composition of State GSDP

9) As per the Advance Estimates of GSVA 2023-24 at current prices, the share of secondary sector has been estimated to 29.3 percent. In 2023-24, the share of tertiary sector in GSVA is estimated to 52.6 percent and 18.1 percent in primary sector.

10) The primary, secondary and tertiary sectors have recorded growth of 8.6 percent, 6.3 percent, and 13.8 percent respectively in 2023-24.

Budget 2024-25

- 11) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I propose a Budget of ₹1,89,876.61 crore for 2024-25, which is an increase of 11.37 percent over RE 2023-24 of ₹1,70,490.84 crore. This includes ₹1,34,456.36 crore as Revenue expenditure and ₹55,420.25 crore as Capital expenditure which is 70.81 percent and 29.19 percent of the total budget respectively. Further, our Public Sector Enterprises will also spend a substantial amount on creating capital infrastructure amounting to ₹8,119.24 crore in 2024-25. Therefore, in total, our capital expenditure for the year 2024-25 would be ₹63,539.49 crore.
- **12)** In BE 2024-25, with buoyant revenue receipts and growth of the economy, I am happy to state that no new taxes are proposed in this year's budget. I have projected revenue receipt at ₹1,16,638.90 crore, comprising of tax revenue of ₹84,551.10 crore and ₹9,243.46 crore as non-tax revenue. In tax revenue receipt, GST, VAT, Excise and stamp & registration are the major sources of revenue receipt. The share of central tax is ₹13,332.23 crore and grant-in-aid is ₹9,512.11 crore. Besides this, I have projected capital receipt of ₹72,722.01 crore.

Fiscal Parameters

13) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to inform this august House that we are always able to maintain the fiscal parameters within prudent norms. Fiscal deficit has been contained at 2.80 percent of GSDP in RE 2023-24 as against

the permissible limit of 3.0 percent of GSDP. For 2024-25, I project a fiscal deficit of 2.77 percent of GSDP, which is well within the permissible limit of 3 percent.

14) The overall debt stock has also been successfully contained within the prescribed limit. The debt to GSDP ratio in RE 2023-24 is 26 percent as against the limit of 33.10 percent of GSDP. For 2024-25 debt stock is projected at 26.15 percent of GSDP, much below the stipulated norms of 32.80 percent of GSDP. We will continue to exercise fiscal prudence as this is the only path to sustainable economic development.

Public Sector Enterprises

15) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, It is estimated that the turnover of State Public Enterprises (PSE) in 2022-23 was ₹79,907 crore, an increase of 11.94%. I am happy to report that the performance of Public Sector Enterprises has improved over the period of last nine years. During 2013-14, out of 43 PSEs, only 13 PSEs reported profit, to the tune of ₹804 crore. However, during 2022-23 the number of profit-making PSEs increased to 20, with a total profit of ₹1767 crore, thereby recording an increase of ₹963 crore. I am further happy to place before this august House that due to the measures taken by the Government, the combined debt of all Public Sector Enterprises has reduced by 27.4% from ₹60,576 crore in March 2014 to ₹43,955 crore in March 2023.

Annadata - Farmer

16) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the farmer is the backbone of the economy of the state. Due to the hard work and toil of our farmers, Haryana is a major contributor to national food security.

- 17) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government has taken various measures for the benefit of the farmers as a result of which agricultural production has grown at 8.1 percent in 2023-24, amongst the highest in the country. Support is provided through subsidies for inputs such as seeds, fertilisers and electricity and in their output through different schemes via the mechanism of DBT.
- 18) The digital platform of Meri Fasal Mera Byora (MFMB) has been widely adopted by the farmers of the state and has provided the basis for Government intervention in support of the farmers. I am happy to state that up to 10 lakh farmers provide their crop details every season on MFMB which provide useful information to the Government to tailor the strategy for market intervention. The farmers of Haryana have been provided a safety net for their produce whether in the form of procurement, price support or compensation for damage. Based on the price differential between the prevailing market price and the Minimum Support Price (MSP), the Government has adopted the strategy of direct procurement at MSP or providing support for the price differential through Bhawantar Bharpayee Yojana.
- 19) Over the last 3 years, the Government has procured 14 crops at the Minimum Support Price (MSP) making the payments directly into the accounts of the farmers. In kharif and rabi 2023, Government has made a payment of ₹29,876 crore directly into the accounts of farmers and Bhawantar support provided to the extent of ₹178 crore also directly into farmers accounts. The Government would like to assure all farmers of the state that it recognises their contributions and will stand by them at all times.

- 20) The Government introduced e-kshatipurti as a digital platform for enabling the farmer to register the claim for compensation in case of damage to crops on account of any calamity. This has enabled the Government to provide support directly to the farmer in contrast to the landowner in the past. E-kshatipurti has enabled the quick verification and disbursement of compensation claims. In FY 2023-24, a sum of ₹297.58 crore has been provided directly into the accounts of farmers as compensation.
- 21) The target to reclaim an area of 50,000 acres was fixed during 2023-24, against which an area of 52,695 acres has been reclaimed through Sub-Surface & Vertical Drainage technology with an expenditure of ₹80.40 crore. In 2024-25, a target has been fixed to reclaim 62,000 acres critical saline & waterlogged area. I hope to ensure that in the next three years, all critical and waterlogged areas identified by the Haryana Water Resources Authority will be reclaimed and made available for cultivation.
- 22) In line with the initiative of Government of India to promote farmer drones in spraying of fertilisers and insecticides, the State Government is in the process of providing training in drone operations to 500 youth farmers for drone operations through DRIISHYA, a State Government Enterprise. Till date 100 farmers have been trained and provided drone pilot license.
- 23) To support farmers in prevention of stubble burning and mitigate pollution, the Government has distributed 11,007 Crop Residue Machines to individual farmers during 2023-24. An incentive of ₹1,000 per acre is being provided to farmers. Under the scheme, as many as 1.56 lakh farmers registered

for management of 14 lakh acres and an incentive of ₹139 crore was distributed during 2023-24. In 2023-24, stubble burning cases decreased by 67 percent to 2303 in the last two years from 6,987 cases reported in 2021-22.

- **24)** Haryana was the first State to launch Bhawantar Bharpayee Yojana for horticulture crops and 21 fruits and vegetables crops have been covered to mitigate the risk of famers. During 2023-24, an incentive of ₹41 crore was provided to 6,868 farmers.
- 25) I propose to develop 6 Botanical Gardens at 6 locations in the state for collection, preservation, theme parks, educational, training, germplasm and to act as major attraction for local population and centre of prominence. Three new Centres of Excellence shall be established: for post-harvest management at Panchkula, for clean planting material at Hansi and for vertical farming at Cheeka.

Animal Husbandry & Dairying

- 26) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, 2.1 percent of the total bovine population of the country is in Haryana but the state's contribution to the nation's total milk production is more than 5.19 percent. The per capita per day milk availability of the State is 1098 grams, which is about 2.4 times the national average of 459 grams per capita per day.
- 27) To provide veterinary services to the livestock owners at their doorsteps, it is proposed to open 8 new Government Veterinary Hospitals and 18 new Government Veterinary Dispensaries in the districts where veterinary services coverage is less in proportion to the livestock population of the area.

- 28) In order to provide veterinary services at the doorstep, the Government has awarded the contract for 70 mobile Veterinary Units in addition to the 21 such Units presently functional and services are expected to commence shortly. I hope that these services prove beneficial to the livestock owners, and they are able to avail veterinary services at their door-step.
- 29) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, to promote fisheries, Soil and Water Testing facilities will be provided to the farmers through three Mobile Water Testing Laboratory Vans for fisheries at their doorstep. An additional 4000 acres will be brought under fish and shrimp culture.

Cooperation

- 30) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government has launched a new cooperative movement, namely the Comprehensive Multi-Purpose Activities Cooperative Society (CM-PACS), which will promote entrepreneurship and rural development. CM-PACS will encompass a wide range of activities including agriculture lending, crop and food processing, packaging, marketing, storage, and transportation, warehousing, insurance and other rural-based services. I propose to establish 500 new CM-PACS in FY 2024-25. I hope that CM-PACS will open up new avenues of prosperity in rural areas and create a platform for Cooperative movement to thrive.
- **31)** Loans are being given to farmers through Primary Agriculture Credit Society (PACS). I announce to waive off interest and penalty on the crop loan, in case Crop loan was availed till 30th September 2023 and the principal amount is paid by 31st May 2024, provided the farmer is registered on MFMB. Such loans should have been taken by farmers

registered on Meri Fasal Mera Byora (MFMB) portal. Thereafter, the farmer will be eligible for crop loan from PACS during Kharif season 2024.

- 32) I am pleased to state that HAFED has successfully entered the export market and obtained export orders of 13,700 MT Basmati Rice valued at ₹126 crore during 2023-24. To support farmers through value addition, a new modern turmeric plant of 3 MT capacity per day with turmeric oil packing line has been set up at Radaur. A Mega Food Park is being set-up at Industrial Model Township (IMT), Rohtak under the Mega Food Park Scheme of the Government of India.
- **33)** I propose to allocate ₹7570.77 crore for agriculture and allied sectors and cooperation for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 38.9 percent over the revised estimates of ₹5449.26 crore of the current year.

Gareeb and Antyodyay

- **34)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government has taken various measures to enhance the social security net. The Old Age Samman Allowance and related pensions is now ₹3000 per month increasing from ₹1000 in December 2014. The provision for social security pensions has increased from ₹1753 crore in 2013-14 constituting 3.2 percent of the total budget expenditure and is projected to be ₹10,971 crore in FY 2024-25, constituting 5.78 percent of the total budget expenditure. The total number of beneficiaries is now over 31.51 lakh increasing from 22.64 lakh in December 2014.
- 35) We have taken Government to the doorstep of the beneficiary with the implementation of the Old Age Samman Allowance, Divyang Pension, Widower Pension for those above the age of 40 years and have been widowed and

Unmarried Pension for those above the age of 45 years and remain unmarried through the Parivar Pehchan Patra in a mode. Over 2.14 lakh Old pro-active Age Samman beneficiaries have been identified through the pro-active mode in the last 18 months and over 5940 Divyang Pension beneficiaries identified proactively in the last one year. The Government proposes to extend the pro-active pension provision to other schemes such as Widow and Destitute Women Pension, Widower Pension for men above the age of 40 years, Unmarried Pension for persons above the age of 45 years, Financial Assistance to Destitute Children (FADC) and Financial Assistance to Non-School Going Disabled Children (FANSG) in the next 3 months.

- 36) In the past, Senior citizens who are in receipt of Employee Provident Fund benefits were excluded from receiving the benefit of Old Age Samman Allowance. There have been instances where the EPF pension is less than ₹3000 per month. I propose to amend the Old Age Samman Allowance Scheme to provide the benefit to such pensioners so that the sum total of the allowance by Government and the EPF pension is equal to the Old Age Samman Allowance of ₹3000 per month or as amended from time to time.
- announced that schools for children with disabilities shall henceforth be run directly by the Government so as to ensure proper education and care to such children. I am happy to state that process for take-over of 7 schools has commenced. I am also happy to share that a life-long care home for intellectually Divyang persons is under construction in Ambala.
- 38) DAYALU Scheme was introduced last year to provide financial support to a poor family on the death of a family

member in the age group of 6 years to 60 years. The Scheme is being implemented based on data in Parivar Pehchan Patra. After the launch of the scheme, till date, 8087 beneficiary families have been provided financial support of ₹310 crore in FY 2023-24.

- 39) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, a scheme was introduced wherein all poorest of the poor families whose verified income in Parivar Pehchan Patra was upto ₹1 lakh per annum and who are or were domestic consumers of DISCOMs, with average monthly consumption of electricity of the last 12 months up to 150 units per month and who have defaulted for two or more billing cycles would be eligible for waiver of default under the Scheme.Till January 2024, 15,476 consumers received benefits under the Scheme with a total sum of ₹74 crore waived off.
- **40)** The Government had launched the Mukhyamantri Antyodya Parivar Utthan Yojana with the objective of raising the family income of the poorest families to at least ₹1,80,000 per annum. Five rounds of Melas have been organized and a total of 89,387 applications have been approved in principle out of which 50,036 loan applications have been sanctioned and 38,568 loans have been disbursed.
- **41)** A unique initiative to promote employment has been implemented in the form of retail outlets named Har-Hith through the Haryana Agro Industries Corporation. At present, 1,050 retail outlets have been opened, of which 686 stores are being operated with MUDRA loans facilitated by the Government, of which 396 stores are being operated by youth from below poverty line families. The total revenue through the Har-Hith stores is approximately ₹435 crore across Haryana and provides a steady source of income to the youth operating

these stores. I propose to open an additional 1000 Har-Hith stores in 2024-25.

- 42) I had the pleasure of announcing the Haryana Antyodya Parivar Parivahan Yojana (HAPPY) to benefit poor families to avail free travel, up to 1000 kilometres every year in Haryana Roadways Buses. Under this Yojana, the benefit of free travel will be available to 22.89 lakh families with around 84 lakh persons having annual income upto ₹1 lakh. The beneficiaries would be issued a smart card linked to the e-ticketing system to enable free travel in the Haryana Roadways Buses. A sum of around ₹600 crore is likely to be expended on the implementation of this scheme.
- Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) was provided to all below poverty line families whose annual income is up to ₹1.80 lakh in Parivar Pehchan Patra in November 2022. At present, over 45 lakh families are beneficiaries of Ayushman Bharat and 1.11 crore Ayushman Bharat cards have been provided. Financial support of ₹765 crore has been provided to over 5.21 lakh persons who required healthcare support in 2023-24 till date, as against financial support of ₹385 crore to 2.67 lakh beneficiaries in 2022-23. I am certain that the step taken by Government reiterates its commitment to stand by all poor families and will meet their healthcare expenditure in times of need.
- **44)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Hon'ble Prime Minister after consecration of the holy temple in Ayodhya launched the Pradhan Mantri Suryodaya Yojana on 22nd January, 2024 itself, under which rooftop solar panels are proposed for installation on the roofs of the houses of the middle class and poor people. This will enable them to be both producers and

users of electricity to yield enough electricity and reduce electricity bills. A subsidy of ₹60,000 will be provided for a 2 kW panel by the Central Government. I propose to introduce a scheme of additional financial assistance up to ₹50,000 for one lakh poor households whose average monthly electricity consumption is up to 200 units and whose annual income in Parivar Pehchan Patra is up to ₹1.80 lakhs. This will enable poor families to avail the benefits of the PM-Suryodaya Scheme, utilize the electricity for their household needs and also become producers of electricity supplying electricity to the Electricity Distribution Companies. The details of the scheme will be notified later.

45) I propose to allocate ₹11939.86 crore to the SEWA sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 13.5 percent over the budget estimates of ₹10521.85 crore of the current year.

Youth Empowerment and Entrepreneurship

- 46) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, youth empowerment, employment and entrepreneurship has been an important focus area for the Government. In the previous years, skill training was being undertaken by the Haryana Skill Development Mission through private training partners. The Government has decided to focus on and undertake short-term skill development and training through the Government Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs).
- 47) Under 'Mission 60000', the Government intends to provide skill training and employment opportunities to at least 60,000 youth in the coming year. The Contractors Saksham Yuva scheme has been launched in February 2024. This scheme has been started with the objective of identifying and training 10,000 youth as contractors for development works of

up to ₹25 lakhs in Panchayati Raj Institutions, Urban Local Bodies and the Government sector. The 3-month skill training will be provided by Shri Vishwakarma Skill University and hand-holding in GST registration and registration on Haryana Engineering Works portal etc will be provided so that these youth will be able to immediately on completion of training obtain work and also provide employment to others.

- 48) The Van Mitra scheme was launched in February 2024. The objective of this scheme is to encourage community participation in tree plantation activities on non-forest lands through 7500 workers from economically weaker sections. Every worker will work for four years as guardians of 1000 plants each so that these plants grow into trees. In lieu of this, they will be paid a prescribed honorarium per plant. The scheme will enable environmental sustainability besides providing employment to youth.
- **49)** The Haryana Kaushal Rozgar Nigam (HKRN) has successfully deployed approximately 1.11 lakh active personnel, with 18,067 fresh deployments contributing to the workforce. Manpower deployed through HKRN enjoy social security and healthcare benefits fostering a supportive work environment.
- **50)** HKRN is actively exploring opportunities for overseas placement in the international job market and providing opportunities in the private sector. Training program for the participants registered for availing overseas placement opportunities in the construction sector in Israel has been conducted in January, 2024.
- 51) New Government Industrial Training Institutes in Pratap Nagar in Yamuna Nagar district and Kanauliin Panchkula

district have commenced admissions last year. The construction work of six new Government ITIs at Mohna, Sector 18, Sikrona and Tigaon in Faridabad district and, Sehlang & Satnali in Mahendragarh district has been completed. During 2024-25, the construction work of six new ITIs at Jeevan Nagar in Sirsa district, Sisai in Hisar district, Pegain Jind district, Shahbad & Basantpur in Kurukshetra district and Indri in Karnal district is likely to be completed.

- **52)** Shri Vishwakarma Skill University has launched the "Super 30" Entrepreneurship Development Program in collaboration with Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). The program aims to select 30 participants with innovative business ideas and skills through a rigorous selection process for a six-month course.
- 53) Last year I had announced that the Government will establish a Venture Capital Fund with a corpus of ₹200 crore in association with banks and financial institutions to provide financial support through loans and equity to start-up entrepreneurs who are women or come from families with an annual income of upto ₹1.80 lakhs or belong to the Scheduled Castes or Backward Classes. The Venture Capital Fund will assist the youth in becoming entrepreneurs where the project cost is upto ₹5 crore. This scheme will become operational in FY 2024-25.
- **54)** I propose to allocate ₹1349.47 crore to the youth sector for FY 2024-25.

Panchayati Raj Institutions and Rural Development

55) The Government is dedicated to the principle of autonomy with accountability in the functioning of the third tier of Government including Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and

Urban Local Bodies. Funds are being directly devolved to PRIs based on a defined formula i.e. 7 percent of the State's Own Tax Revenues (SOTR), and on per-capita basis on the recommendations of the 6th State Finance Commission and on similar lines as the Centre-State devolution principle.

- 56) Assignment of works to be undertaken by Panchayati Raj Institutions have been made clear and specific and the PRIs can themselves decide the nature and priority of works assigned to them. There is a provision of ₹2446 crore as State Finance Commission grants in the current FY and a provision of ₹2968 crore has been made for FY 2024-25.
- 57) A dedicated engineering wing has been established in each Zila Parishad by creating 699 posts to enable them to assume additional responsibilities for maintaining rural infrastructure. Zila Parishads have been entrusted with the responsibility for construction of street lights in 710 Gram Panchayats and all Mahagrams. Zila Parishads have also been entrusted with the responsibility of maintenance of rural roads constructed by Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board (HSAMB) besides the maintenance of Primary Health Centres and Sub-Centres.
- 58) There is a demand for providing funds for repair of Scheduled Caste and Backward Class chaupals in rural areas. In order to ensure that these chaupals are properly maintained and used, I propose to provide a sum of ₹100 crore from the Haryana Rural Development Fund (HRDF) for repair of SC and BC chaupals in the state. The demand for repair of these chauplas can be raised by the Gram Panchayat on the Gram Darshan portal or in Jan Samwad.

- **59)** Last year in recognition of the important role played by elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions in rural governance, the Government took a significant step increasing their honorarium and putting in place a direct payment system of the honorarium into the bank accounts of the elected representatives.
- 60) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, solid waste management has become a significant challenge in rural areas. The Government has initiated the procurement of Hopper Tipper Dumpers for all Mahagrams and Gram Panchayats having population of 10,000 and above and providing a driver-cum-waste collector to the concerned Gram Panchayats. 7326 additional posts of Gramin Safai Karmis have been sanctioned increasing the number of sanctioned posts of Gramin Safai Karmis from 11,254 to 18,580. Waste management sheds are being constructed in all Mahagarams and Gram Panchayats having population of 10,000 and above for proper management of solid waste after collection. I hope the organised and institutionalised system of solid waste management in rural areas will lead to cleaner villages. In 2024-2025, I propose to extend the institutionalised system of waste management toall Gram Panchayats which have a population of more than 7500.
- **61)** I propose to allocate ₹7276.77 crore to the rural sector in the Budget for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 17.11 percent over the revised estimates of ₹6213.27 crore for the current year.

Urban Development

62) Similar to PRIs, the Government has assigned specific areas of responsibility to ULBs with funds being devolved on per-capita basis. In FY 2023-24, a sum of ₹2001 crore was

provided as State Finance Commission grants to Urban Local Bodies and a provision of ₹2428 crore has been made for FY 2024-25. Municipalities that are financially weak are provided additional support in the form of grants-in-aid from time to time. This is in addition to the financial outlay for expenditure in Urban Local Bodies through the Mukhyamantri Samgraha Shehri Vikas Yojana and Divya Nagar Yojana in which a budget provision has been made for ₹900 crore in FY 2024-25.

- 63) In FY 2023-24, 1152 colonies have been notified as civic amenities and infrastructure deficient areas. I am happy to report that development works to the tune of ₹430 crore have already been approved for the newly regularised colonies and the pace of development works is expected to pick up in FY 2024-25. The Government is committed to provide all basic civic amenities in all these colonies and will fulfil these obligations in the next two years.₹1000 crore will be earmarked from the Haryana Urban Development Fund in FY 2024-25 for development works in newly regularised colonies.
- 64) On the lines of the PM-SVAMITVA scheme, I propose to launch an Urban-SVAMITVA scheme to provide property certificates to owners of properties in abadi areas of erstwhile villages that have been included in Municipalities. This will enable owners of properties to enjoy similar benefits as owners of properties in abadi areas of Gram Panchayats under PM-SVAMITA. This policy shall be notified by the Urban Local Bodies Department in the next 15 days.
- 65) To move forward in the development process in urban areas, the Government proposes to construct auditoriums with a capacity for hosting 500-1000 personsin all big cities in the state under the Divya Nagar Yojana. There shall be two such auditoriums in Gurugram and Faridabad and one auditorium

each in all other 9 Municipal Corporations and 12 district headquarter Municipal Councils.

66) The Government proposes to establish a Public Library at each district headquarters. Department of Information, Public Relations, Languages and Culture and the Urban Local Bodies Department in association with the local Municipality will take up the work of establishing these Public Libraries.

Town and Country Planning

- 67) Under 'Vivadon ka Samadhan', a scheme was launched to recover the old pending dues of external development charges (EDC). The Scheme has been successful with 286 licensees depositing an amount of ₹2,666 crore till 31.01.24. I propose to extend the scheme up to 30th September, 2024, to enable the remaining licensees to avail the benefit of the scheme.
- Development **68)** The establishment Metropolitan of **Authorities** Metropolitan began with the Gurugram Development Authority in 2017 other such and three authorities have been established in Faridabad, Panchkula and Sonipat. Establishment of the Hisar Metropolitan Development Authority is in process.
- 69) Faridabad Metropolitan Development Authority will implement the augmentation of the water supply and sewerage system to cater to the growing population requirement with an estimated outlay of ₹3400 crore in the next five years. Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority shall work towards augmenting the road network with an estimated outlay of ₹1200 crore and water and sewerage supply network with an estimated outlay of ₹900 crore. The Sonipat and Panchkula Metropolitan Development Authorities have recently started

functioning and the Hisar Metropolitan Development Authority is expected to start functioning soon. I propose to provide a special grant of ₹100 crore each to the Sonipat, Panchkula and Hisar Authorities so that these Authorities can undertake development activities till a steady source of revenue becomes available to it.

70) I propose to allocate ₹5980.50 crore to the urban sector in the Budget for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 38.32 percent over the revised estimates of ₹4323.42 crore for the current year.

Housing for All

- 71) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to state that the Government has introduced a new scheme, the Mukhyamantri Shehri Awas Yojana (MSAY) last year which aims to provide housing to those families whose annual income is upto ₹1.80 lakh per annum and who do not have their own house, in which 2.89 lakh families have registered. Land has been identified in 14 towns and cities and the process of allotment of plots to the registered beneficiaries has commenced. I hope to extend the benefit to all towns and cities in Haryana in the next 6 months. A sum of ₹1000 crore will be set aside for providing plots or flats to such beneficiaries in FY 2024-25. The sum will be partly provided by the Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikarn under its housing obligations and partly met from the State Budget.
- 72) On the lines of the Mukhyamantri Shehri Awas Yojana, I propose to launch the Mukhyamantri Gramin Awas Yojana to ensure that those beneficiaries who were to be allotted plots under Mahatma Gandhi Gramin Basti Yojana but who have not been given possession of the plots in the last fifteen years.

I propose to set a deadline of September 2024 for giving possession to around 25,000 such beneficiaries. In case the possession cannot be granted to the eligible beneficiaries, then the Government will provide a benefit of up to ₹1 lakh to the beneficiary family under the Mukhyamantri Gramin Awas Yojana so that they can buy a plot in the village at a location of their choice for construction of their residence.

73) Under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G), against the total target of 29,404 houses, 28,250 houses have been completed and 1,154 houses are under construction. Financial assistance to the tune of ₹389 crore has been disbursed to the beneficiaries.

Sports

- 74) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, it is a matter of great pride that Sports persons from our state have played a key role in country's upsurge in international sports arena in recent times. During 2023-24, cash awards of ₹92 crores were distributed among 692 players on the basis of their achievements in various sports events.
- **75)** Khelo India Para Games-2023 were organized in December at New Delhi for 07 games. 183 players from Haryana participated in the games and got 105 medals, with Haryana at 1st position.
- **76)** I propose to set up 400 Sports Nurseries in FY 2024-25, in addition to the 1100 Sports Nurseries allotted last year. Two High Performance Centres in Boxing and Wrestling will be established in Panipat and Sonipat respectively in 2024-25. These High Performance Centres will be named after prominent sports persons in the discipline who have brought laurels to the State in the past.

- 77) Speed climbing is one of the new sports events to be included in the Paris Olympic Games-2024. It is proposed to construct speed climbing facilities at 6 places, namely Karnal, Bhiwani, Hisar, Faridabad, Narnaul and Panchkula.
- **78)** I propose to allocate ₹578.18 crore to the sports sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 33.84 percent over the revised estimates ₹432.01 crore of the current year.

Education

- 79) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 provides the fundamental vision for development of India as a global knowledge society. One of the key elements of the NEP is the improvement of learning competencies in the initial years of schooling. The aim of Nipun Haryana Mission is to make all the students grade-level competent by grade 3 by using innovative teaching-learning material. The Mission has been implemented at grade 3 level. I propose to expand it to include grades 4 and 5 from academic session 2024-25.
- 80) Haryana is emerging as a centre for aviation training with flight simulator training centres coming up in Gurugram. I propose to establish an Aviation College in Hisar to introduce higher education with all elements of aviation as the theme. The College will be affiliated to the Guru Jambeshwar University and located near the Maharaja Agrasen Hisar Airport.
- 81) E-libraries will be established in all Government Model Sanskriti Senior Secondary Schools in a phased manner. In the first phase, an amount of ₹25 lakh each will be allocated to one such school in every block. The e-libraries will enable the student to obtain access to the wealth of knowledge and improve learning outcomes.

- 82) The Government has commenced the implementation of the Free Student Transport Security Scheme from 16th January, 2024. The Scheme is available to all the students from class 1 to 12 where distance of the school from their home is more than one kilometre. The Scheme is initially being implemented in one Block in each district and then expanded to all Blocks thereafter.
- **83)** To make college students employable, 50 over employment-oriented courses have been started in Government colleges. Higher Education Institutions have signed over 300 MoUs with various industries for improving the employability of students.
- **84)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government proposes to install solar power supply systems in all institutes including colleges, polytechnics and ITIs.
- **85)** I propose to allocate ₹21,187.46 crore to the Education sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 15.49 percent over the revised estimates of ₹18,344.29 crore of the current year.

Health

- **86)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, under the NIROGI Scheme, 46.30 lakh beneficiaries from Antyodyay families have been screened and 2.56 crore lab tests have been carried out till 20th February 2024.
- 87) The Cashless Health Facility for Government employees was launched for the employees of two departments on a trial basis in 2023. It has now been extended to all regular Government employees from 1st January 2024. The main objective of the scheme is to reduce out of pocket healthcare

expenditure of the employees. As of now 556 empanelled hospitals have been onboarded, and 1340 treatment packages have been integrated on the scheme portal. This satisfies a long pending demand of Government employees and will provide significant relief in meeting healthcare costs of their family.

- 88) Last year I had extended the benefit of CHIRAYU-Ayushman Bharat to those families whose annual income in Parivar Pehchan Patra was in the range of ₹1.80 to ₹3 lakhs on the payment of a nominal annual contribution of ₹1500. I now propose to extend the benefit of CHIRAYU-Ayushman Bharat to those families whose annual income is above ₹3 lakhs. Those in the annual income bracket of ₹3-6 lakhs can avail the benefit on payment of an annual contribution of ₹4000 and those in the annual income bracket of above 6 lakh can avail the benefit of CHIRAYU-Ayushman Bharat on payment of an annual contribution of ₹5000. With this, Haryana would have almost reached the goal of universal health insurance coverage benefitting all its citizens.
- 89) A Centre of Excellence has been established within the Post Graduate Institute of Dental Science, Rohtak. The establishment of Centre of Excellence in Preventive Health at Shahid Hasan Khan Mewati Government Medical College, Nalhar is under process.
- **90)** In 2023-24, the Pandit B.D. Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak has started Renal Transplantation Program and shall soon also start Liver Transplantation Program, for which approvals have been given. This would benefit patients from Haryana waiting for organ transplants.

- **91)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, through the AYUSH system of medicine, we wish to change the healthcare approach from cure to prevention through 500 Health and Wellness Centres co-located with Yogshalas in 2024-25.
- **92)** National Institute of Ayurveda being established on land provided by the Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Board in Panchkula has commenced out-patient care recently. It is expected that the construction of the Institute will be completed in 2024-25.
- **93)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to state that new 100-bed hospitals at Hisar, Rohtak, Ambala and Sonipat and 30-bed hospital at Karnal have been approved for establishment by the Employee State Insurance Corporation (ESIC). New ESIC dispensaries are expected to be taken up in Pataudi, Saha, Gharaunda and Kaithal in 2024-25.
- **94)** I propose to allocate ₹9579.16 crore to the Health, Medical Education and AYUSH sectors for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 23.89 percent over the revised estimates of ₹7731.88 crore of the current year.

Nari Shakti

- **95)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, no society can develop and progress without the advancement of women in all fields. The women of Haryana have made immense contributions in the field of sports and public administration.
- 96) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, drone pilot training is provided through Drone Imaging and Information Services of Haryana (DRIISHYA) at Karnal. I propose to train 5000 sisters of 500 women SHGs during 2024-25 in drone operations and maintenance and provide one drone each to the SHGs. They may rent it to farmers for agricultural purposes. The details of

the scheme shall be notified separately by the Youth Entrepreneurship and Empowerment Department.

- 97) I had announced the establishment of Sanjha Bazaar at each district headquarter during the Teej Mahotsav at Panipat last year. This initiative in collaboration with Haryana State Rural Livelihood Mission and Urban Local Bodies Department aims to provide women Self Help Group (SHG) members with shops or porta cabins for displaying and selling their products. Sites have been identified and work has started in 5 districts namely, Karnal, Yamunanagar, Panchkula, Fatehabad and Gurugram on pilot basis. The shops in Sanjha Bazar will be allotted to SHGs on rotation basis, through online portal. The Sanjha Bazar will provide a platform for SHGs to market their produce and earn a livelihood.
- **98)** Under the Haryana State Rural Livelihood mission, 58,797 SHGs have been formed, engaging 6.04 lakh women in various activities such as handicraft, apparels, food items and more. This initiative supports local entrepreneurs and promotes sustainable livelihoods within communities. It is proposed to bring 2 lakh women into higher income level and make them lakhpati Didis.
- 99) A provision has been made by Government for allotment of at least 33 percent of the Fair Price Shops for woman applicants, with priority to be given to acid attack victims and widows. The allotment process has commenced with the invitation of applications for 3224 Fair Price Shops.

Child Development

100) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government is committed to reduce malnutrition amongst children and to strengthen the institutional mechanisms for their growth and development.

- 101) In 2023-24. I had set a target to reduce the incidence of stunting, wasting and underweight amongst children in the age group of up to 6 years by 50 percent in the next 3 years. The National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5) data for Haryana reports that 27.5 percent of children in the age group of up to 5 years are stunted, 11.5 percent are wasted and 21.5 percent are underweight. As part of implementation strategy and to eliminate malnourishment, the Bal Samwardhan portal was launched last year in which mapping has been done for 13.73 lakh children out of 21 lakh children. I propose to provide additional nutrition support for those identified children who are severely malnourished or malnourished on the basis of data in Bal Samwardhan. Details the Mukhyamantri of Samwardhan Yojana in this regard shall be notified separately.
- **102)** Aapki Beti Hamari Beti is a scheme aimed at girl children which helps in the achievement of the objectives of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao. I propose to implement the Scheme in a pro-active manner based on the data in Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP). The Government can then directly reach out to the beneficiary family and ensure deposit of the benefit in the LIC in time.
- **103)** I propose to allocate ₹1938.74 crore to the Women and Child development sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 21.71 percent over the revised estimates of ₹1592.85 crore of the current year.

Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs

104) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan programme, foodgrains are provided free of cost to beneficiary families. The number of beneficiary families under

the Public Distribution System has expanded to over 44 lakh families from 26 lakh families in December 2022. The preparation of new ration cards for families has made automatic and proactive by linking it to Parivar Pehchan Patra.

Labour

- 105) During FY 2023-24, Haryana Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board, spent ₹250 crore on different welfare schemes supporting 85,338 beneficiaries. The Government has recently launched a scheme for providing electric scooties for the daughters of registered construction workers with a financial assistance of upto ₹50,000 or the actual ex-showroom price, whichever is less, through e-RUPI. This will enable girl children of construction workers to avail better opportunities for higher education.
- 106) Gig workers have emerged as an important element of the service sector providing door-step delivery of goods and services for online aggregators such as Uber, Zomato etc. These workers usually come from the poorest strata of society. I propose to introduce a scheme wherein subsidy of ₹5,000 and facilitate an interest free loan with credit guarantee for an amount of ₹45,000 or the actual ex-showroom price, whichever is less, for purchase of an electric scooter shall be provided to a gig-worker who is registered in Parivar Pehchan Patra and on E-shram and who belongs to a family whose annual income is upto ₹1.80 lakhs. The details of the scheme shall be separately notified by the Labour Department
- **107)** I propose to allocate ₹92.83 crore to the labour sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 7.05 percent over the revised estimates of ₹86.71 crore in the current year.

Sainik and Ardh Sainik Welfare

- 108) Haryana has led the country in its contribution to the Defence services and Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF). The Government provides several benefits to defence, ex-servicemen and CAPF personnel in recognition of their services and the supreme sacrifices made by them. I propose to increase with immediate effect the ex-gratia amount to the Next of Kin (NOK) of Battle Casualties, belonging to Haryana, whether from the Defence services or Central Armed Police Forces, from ₹50 lakh to ₹1 crore.
- **109)** With a view to contribute more officers and men to the armed forces, I propose to establish three Armed Forces Preparatory Institutes (AFPIs) in the State to prepare Haryana domiciles for serving in the Defence and Paramilitary Services. The AFPIs shall pick up potential candidates after Class 10 and graduation and prepare them to appear in the competitive process for jobs in the Defence & Paramilitary services.
- **110)** I propose to allocate ₹140.53 crore to the Sainik and Ardh Sainik Sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 45.51 percent over the revised estimates of ₹96.58 crore in the current year.

Freedom Fighters

111) In recognition of sacrifices made by freedom fighters in the cause of freedom, I propose to increase their monthly samman allowance to ₹40,000 from the existing ₹25,000.

Environment and Forests

112) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Miyawaki method or dense plantation is gaining worldwide recognition for its effectiveness

in delivering health benefits, restoring ecology, and offering food and shelter to birds and other organisms. It is especially beneficial in urban areas, where pollution levels are high. I propose the adoption of Miyawaki plantation approach in urban areas with emphasis on indigenous, multipurpose plant species. To begin with, each district will allocate a minimum of 2.5 acres of land for dense plantations.

113) I propose to allocate ₹654.36 crore to the environment and forests sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 38.67 percent over the revised estimates ₹471.87 crore in the current year.

Industries

- **114)** Equipped with well-developed infrastructure facilities, good connectivity, skilled manpower and quality education, Haryana has always been regarded as an industrial powerhouse.
- 115) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the bio-tech sector is one of the fastest growing areas in India. The bio-tech eco-system consists of research and development centres, availability of skilled manpower, incentives for industries and clustered common infrastructure. Haryana has the potential of emerging as a bio-tech powerhouse in India. I propose to notify a Bio-Tech Incentive Policy in the next 6 months after extensive consultations with industry leaders in the bio-tech sector which can be an instrument for attracting investment and innovation in the bio-tech sector.
- 116) India supports the global EV30@30 campaign, which targets to have at least 30 percent new vehicle sales to be electric by 2030. Keeping this in mind the Government had

launched the Haryana Electric Vehicle Policy-2022. Till date 12 schemes have been notified under the policy.

117) Drone technology is emerging as a modern industry in recent times with multiple use cases being identified. The Government believes that Haryana must take the lead in drone manufacturing and drones based imaging services. To give an impetus to drone manufacturing, I propose to set up a Start-Up Fund of ₹10 crore to promote drone manufacturing in Haryana. The details of the Fund will be notified separately by the Industries and Commerce Department.

118) I propose to allocate ₹922.98 crore to the industries sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 16.27 percent over the revised estimates of ₹793.80 crore in the current year.

Infrastructure

Quality Assurance Authority

119) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, it is a fact that while executing infrastructural projects, quality is an important element. Therefore, the Government has established the Quality Assurance Authority for the establishment and notification of norms and standards for quality in engineering works and accreditation of quality testing laboratories and centres. The Authority shall also take on the functions of auditing of quality, empanelling of auditors and defining standard operating procedures to ensure rigorous quality checks besides imparting training on quality assurance measures.

Roads

120) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, during the budget speech of 2022-23, I had announced that 50 percent of the budget of PWD shall be utilized for maintenance of roads. I am delighted to inform that we have been successful in utilizing 64 percent

of the budget on maintenance and repair of roads. During 2023-24, new roads having length of 216 kms have been constructed and improvement of 3057 kms has been done by way of widening and strengthening, renewal coat etc. I propose to take up improvement of 9000 kilometre roads during 2024-25. During 2024-25, 300 kms roads length will also be taken up for widening and strengthening.

121) 52 ROBs/RUBs/Bridges' works are in progress and expected to be completed soon. It is proposed to work on 28 ROBs/RUBs/Bridges during the year 2024-25.

Railway Infrastructure

- **122)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the work of preparation of detailed project report of 61 Km Karnal-Yamuna Nagar railway line and 30 Km Farrukh Nagar-Jhajjar railway line is being done by Northern Railway on the basis of feasibility study conducted by Haryana Rail Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited.
- 123) The Government had introduced the concept of elevated railway tracks to ease traffic movement in urban areas instead of construction of multiple flyovers. Apart from Rohtak city where the project has been commissioned, the Kurukshetra elevated track is likely to be commissioned in 2024-25. Feasibility studies for elevated tracks in Kaithal and Bahadurgarh are currently underway.
- **124)** The foundation stone for the Haryana Orbital Rail Corridor was laid in October 2022 by the Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah. I am happy to state the Patli-Manesar line of the Haryana Orbital Rail Corridor is likely to be commissioned in 2024-25.
- **125)** I propose to allocate ₹5504.76 crore to the roads, highways and railways sectors for FY 2024-25.

Public Health Engineering

- 126) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am glad to inform the august house that Haryana has already achieved the target of providing tap water connection to all rural households under Jal Jeevan Mission in 2022. The Government is engaged in the task of ensuring functional water taps to provide regular quality drinking water supply of 55 litres per capita per day conforming to standards of good quality in rural areas and 135 litres of water per capita per day in urban and semi-urban areas.
- **127)** Under Maharam Yojana, work for providing sewerage facilities has been completed in 12 villages and 10 villages are expected to be commissioned by 31st March, 2024. All the remaining 119 villages are likely to be commissioned in a phased manner by 2027.
- **128)** Against a target of laying of 100 km new sewer lines in 85 towns, 75 km sewer lines have been laid up to January 2024 and balance work is likely to be completed in this financial year. I propose a target of laying of 100 km new sewer lines in 2024-25.
- **129)** 48 drinking water supply projects and 9 sewerage projects have been granted administrative approval in September 2023 under AMRUT 2.0. Out of these 57 projects, work on 22 projects including 18 water supply schemes have been awarded. Tenders for 15 projects including 10 schemes for water supply have been floated.
- **130)** Under AMRUT 2.0, Government of India has announced that incentives would be provided to State Governments for installation of energy efficient motor-pumps. The Government proposes to install energy efficient motor-pumps for all new projects under AMRUT 2.0 for energy efficiency and adopt the

incentive-based reforms proposed by the Central Government. All the pumps installed in tubewells, water works and sewerage treatment plants in the urban areas shall be replaced with 3-star rating energy efficient pumps.

- **131)** The Government has formulated a policy to reuse treated waste water by power plants, industries, irrigation and municipalities for non-drinking purposes. As on date, 199.24 million litres per day (MLD) treated waste water is being used for non-drinking purposes. It is expected that by December 2025, over 900 million litters per day (MLD) treated waste water shall be reused and by December 2028, all generated shall be treated and utilised for sewerage non-consumptive purposes. The of the precious reuse resource is likely to reduce the stress on freshwater demand. The Government has notified the tariff for use of treated waste water and its use has been made mandatory by Haryana Water Resources Authority for certain users.
- **132)** I propose to allocate ₹4787.79 crore to the Public Health Engineering sector for FY 2024-25.

Irrigation and Water Resources

- 133) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, abianahas been levied on supply of canal water to farmers from the time of British rule. As a measure of relief to farmers dependent on canal water, I propose to stop the levy of abiana from 1st April, 2024. This step will mean a one-time waiver of about ₹140 crore along with an annual relief of ₹54 crore providing a benefit to farmers of 4299 villages.
- **134)** The State Government is committed to improve canal infrastructure. During 2023-24, rehabilitation of major Channels has been successfully completed, namely JLN Feder, Hansi

Branch, Balsamand Sub Branch, Loharu Distributary, Narnaul Branch, Kural Distributary, Dewana Distributary, New Siwani Feeder, Sherpura Distributary.

- **135)** Recognizing the challenges faced by the Western Jamuna Canal (WJC) carrier system during non-monsoon period, a new Parallel Lined Channel (PLC) with a capacity of 6000 Cusecs is currently under construction. In addition, the augmentation of the capacity of the Augmentation Canal and Parallel Delhi Branch is underway with an investment of ₹465 crore.
- 136) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to state that an agreement has been signed between Haryana and Rajasthan with the support of the Union Ministry of Jal Shaktion 17th February, 2024 for utilisation of the excess waters of the river Yamuna during monsoon period. During this period, water flow exceeds 24,000 cusecs. The excess waters available for a short period of time will be stored and a pipeline will be laid to carry the water for irrigation purposes to the water deficit districts of Bhiwani, Charkhi-Dadri and Hisar. In addition, pipeline will also be laid by Rajasthan, to carry water to Rajasthan. This will ensure that excess flood water is stored, and used for agriculture and drinking purposes and at the same time possibilities of floods will be reduced.
- 137) Two projects namely the remodelling of Gurugram Water Supply Channel (GWS) and the Mewat Feeder Pipeline Project to solve the drinking water of the Gurugram and Mewat region, have been planned to cater to the future drinking and industrial water demand up to the year 2050 for Nuh District Gurugram, Manesar and Bahadurgarh cities and the newly developing industrial areas of IMTs at Manesar, Sohna, Kharkhoda and

Bahadurgarh, Dharuhera Industrial Area and adjoining villages by enhancing the existing design capacity of 175 cusecs to 686 cusecs. The two projects are estimated to cost ₹3028 crore and the work is likely to commence by August, 2024.

- **138)** Conservation of water during monsoon is priority of Government. During 2023-24, 5 check dams and 26 water bodies in Mahendargarh have been constructed and water has been conserved in these water bodies. This enhanced water storage capacity is poised to make a positive impact on local agriculture with a more consistent and reliable water source.
- **139)** Completion of up-stream storage dams on River Yamuna and its tributaries holds utmost priority of our Government and during 2023-24, Government has deposited ₹173 crore as state share towards Renuka and Lakhwar Vyasidams.
- **140)** 1745 ponds including 769 Amrit Sarovar ponds have been rejuvenated in the last 3 years and I am proposing rehabilitation, renovation and restoration of 2494 ponds in 2024-25.
- **141)** The Government is committed towards the implementation of the Sutlej-Yamuna Link canal to utilise the legitimate share of Haryana in the water of Ravi-Beas river system. Several meetings have been held with Punjab and the Union Jal Shakti Ministry to resolve long pending issue of construction of SYL.To reiterate this commitment, I propose to continue the outlay of ₹100 crore for 2024-25.
- **142)** I propose to allocate ₹6247.27 crore to the irrigation and water resources sector for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 30.90 percent over the revised estimates of ₹4772.54 crore in the current year.

Energy

- **143)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, Government is committed to providing 24x7 electricity for all and in particular, to improve the status of power supply in rural areas. 5805 villages have been covered under Mera Gaon Jagmag Gaon providing 24 hours electricity supply.
- 144) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, last year I had announced that construction of а 800 MW thermal plant power Yamunanagar would be taken up in 2023-24. I am happy to state that the tender for the construction has been awarded recently to Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. at a cost of ₹6,900 crore. A Memorandum of Understanding has also been signed by Haryana Power Purchase Centre with Mahanadi Basin Power Ltd., a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) for procurement of 800 MW power from a pit-head thermal power plant proposed to be established in Odisha. Although the State presently has sufficient power availability, the expected growth in electricity demand would be adequately covered in the future with these initiatives.
- 145) Monthly minimum charges are imposed by the Electricity Distribution Companies on consumers where their consumption is below a limit. In Tariff Category-I where the monthly consumption is less than 200 units, the monthly minimum charges are ₹115 per kW for up to 2 kW. In order to provide relief to the poorest of the poor, I propose to eliminate the MMC for Tariff Category-I consumers with domestic connected load of up to 2 kW. This step will provide a relief of about ₹180 crore to the poorest of poor families.
- 146) Electricity connections are being released to deras and dhanis located up to a distance of 3 kilometre from the village

phirnis. Service connection charges shall be recovered from the applicant up to 300 meters from village phirni against earlier provision of 150 meters and the cost of infrastructure will be borne by the DISCOMs.

- **147)** In 2023-24, I had proposed to start the release of tubewell connections for those who applied in the period from the year 2019 to 2021 after completion of all formalities. I am happy to share that of 27,826 applications received, demand notices were issued for 27,740 and the release of connections is likely to be completed shortly.
- **148)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, In 2023-24, I had proposed to fix a target for the installation of 70,000 solar pump sets under the PM-KUSUM. I am happy to report that we have already achieved the installation of 67,418 solar pumps in the State against the targets assigned before 2023-24. Encouraged by the popularity of the Scheme amongst farmers, I propose an additional target of 70,000 solar pumps in 2024-25 as well.
- **149)** I propose to allocate ₹7061.51 crore to the energy sector for FY 2024-25.

Transport

150) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I had announced last year that the Government will introduce City Bus Services in nine cities. I am happy to state that the services have recently commenced through the Haryana City Bus Services Corporation Ltd. in Panipat and Yamunanagar operating AC Electric Buses and will commence in Karnal and Panchkula by mid-March, 2024. The City Bus services in the remaining five cities is expected to commence by June 2024. For these operations, a total of 450 AC electric buses will be used.

- **151)** 100 new Bus Queue Shelters will be constructed in the villages, for the convenience and ease of living of people. Passenger amenities in all major Bus Stands in the state especially drinking water and toilet blocks will be modernized for the ease of the travellers.
- **152)** The Government will procure 500 Standard Diesel and 150 HVAC buses at a cost of ₹261 crore to augment the Haryana Roadways fleet in FY 2024-25. Besides, the Government will also expand the number of buses operated under the kilometre scheme. Sleeper bus services on long interstate routes for the convenience of general public are also proposed be introduced.
- **153)** E-rickshaws provide a low-cost transport alternative to diesel rickshaws specially in the National Capital Region (NCR). With the growing concern on air pollution in NCR areas and in response to the demand from e-rickshaw owners, I propose to levy one-time charge for e-rickshaws instead of annual charges. The notification in this regard will separately be issued by the Transport Department.
- **154)** The Government is in the process for putting in place a system of e-auction of preferential registration marks for non-transport vehicle. I expect the e-auction process to be put in place by March 2024. This will provide a transparent basis for allotment of preferential numbers besides augmenting the revenue of the Government.

Civil Aviation

155) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government has taken several initiatives for the growth of the civil aviation industry in the state. The development of the Integrated Aviation Hub in Hisar is one of the most significant airport infrastructure projects.

This project is currently in the final stages, with plans to start flight operations in the early part of 2024-25.

156) A Heli-Hub is proposed to be started in Gurugram. Feasibility studies are being done for the construction of permanent Helipads in eight districts, namely, Jind, Jhajjar, Kaithal, Palwal, Yamunanagar, Rohtak, Kurukshetra and Sonipat.I propose to develop new airstrips in Nuh, Yamunangar and Rohtak districts at an appropriate place. The process for identification of land and its procurement through e-Bhoomi would be initiated in 2024-25.

157) I propose to allocate ₹3993.50 crore to the transport and civil aviation sector in the Budget for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 21.51 percent over the revised estimates of ₹3286.35 crore in the current year.

Tourism and Heritage

- **158)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to state that the first modern, technology-based experience centre in Haryana i.e. the Jyotisar Anubhav Kendra has been inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 16th February, 2024. This Kendra spread over 17 acres and costing ₹240 crore will beone of the largest net-zero emission museum in the world.
- 159) I had announced that the State Government shall establish the Aravalli Safari Park over 10,000 acres of land in Gurugram and Nuh districts in partnership with the Government of India. I am happy to state that the contract for project design has been awarded and DPR is under preparation for submission to the Central Zoo Authority. The work at site is expected to start during the later part of FY 2024-25.

- **160)** Last year, the Government has organised a Mela in November 2023 on the site of the Surajkund International Crafts Mela. Based on the successful implementation of the Mela, the Government proposes to institutionalise the Mela into an annual eventin the month of September to provide a platform for artists, artisans and craftsmen, small trades and businesses.
- **161)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, India is a diverse country. Its culture binds us together. I propose to organise a Rajya Diwas under the Ek Bharat Shresht Bharat umbrella around the formation date of that State to show-case the art, crafts, food and culture of every State of India in any one district of Haryana to ensure that people in Haryana develop a greater appreciation of the diversity of India.
- **162)** There are many historical monuments in Haryana which are part of our history and heritage. There is a need to conserve and preserve these protected monuments for future generations. In order to ensure proper conservation and preservation of the protected sites and monuments, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore in FY 2024-25.
- **163)** A museum and interpretation centre will be established in Agroha to showcase the archaeological discoveries of Agroha and ancient civilisations as well as heritage of India.
- **164)** I propose to allocate ₹242.43 crore to the tourism and heritage sector in the Budget for FY 2024-25 which is an increase of 46.59 percent over the revised estimates of ₹165.37 crore in the current year.

Governance and Public Administration

Revenue & Disaster Management

165) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, as on January 2024, drone-based mapping survey for more than 6,000 villages has been done. It

is expected that the Large Scale Mapping project will be completed in FY 2024-25.

Land Management

166) The compulsory acquisition process has been a cause of discontent amongst farmers. With the notification of the Land Pooling and Land Partnership policies along with the policy for voluntary purchase of land through the e-Bhoomi portal, farmers are being considered as partners in the development process. The Government also intends to create a Land Bank of 10,000 acres through procurement of land by the Revenue & Disaster Management Department on the e-Bhoomi.

Home

- 167) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I am happy to state that Haryana Police was awarded the first rank among all major State Police forces with regard to implementation of Crime and Criminal Tracking Network System (CCTNS). Haryana Police remained active on digital platforms throughout the year, blocked 4.9 lakh fraud mobile numbers with the help of artificial intelligence and saved ₹76.85 crore.
- **168)** The Government is committed to safety and wellbeing of women in Haryana. 239 Women Help Desks have been established in the state to help women living in far flung areas to seek immediate police help whenever required. I propose to establish another 150 Women Help Desks in 2024-25.
- 169) Haryana State Enforcement Bureau was established last year to implement a comprehensive institutional mechanism to strengthen enforcement actions and to curb unlawful activities like illegal mining, theft of canal water, theft of electricity, sale

of illicit or spurious liquor etc. Enforcement Police Stations are being established in every district to aid and assist the Departments of Mining and Geology, Excise and Taxation, Irrigation and Water Resources, Transport, Town & Country Planning & Urban Local Bodies and Haryana Power Utilities (HPUs) in taking effective action against law breakers.

170) Keeping in view the importance of road safety, the Government has established a new division called "Haryana Highway Patrol for Road Safety" (HHPRS). Nineteen Traffic Aid Centers (TAC) have been established at a stretch of every 30 kilometer along the five National Highways. integrated Road Accident Data Management System has been implemented with a view to create a centralized repository of road accidents, scientific analysis of causes of accidents and identification of vulnerable spots. CCTV Cameras are being installed in 381 Police Stations and 357 police posts, which would help in crime analysis and resolution.

171) A training facility for Home Guards and Civil Defence Volunteers and staff is being established at Gram Panchayat Hassanpur in Gharaunda.

Excise & Taxation

172) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Government has introduced QR code based Track and Trace system in 14 distilleries and bottling plants on pilot basis. The installation of flow meters in distilleries which will measure the actual quantity of alcohol manufactured is likely to be completed soon. This will enable Government to keep a watch on diversion of alcohol and evasion of excise duties.

- **173)** One Time Settlement Scheme for recovery of outstanding dues in pre-GST era was introduced with effect from 1st January 2024 and will close on 30th March, 2024. This scheme is expected to reduce the number of pending cases and bring in additional revenue.
- 174) The Government proposes to launch a start-up facilitation cell at Gurugram in 2024-25 to facilitate new start-up tax payers in the state of Haryana, who have started or intend to start their business establishments and to provide support on GST related matters namely registration, return filing and awareness of tax friendly measures. The Government also proposes to launch a MSME GST facilitation cell at Panchkula aimed at facilitating the MSME sector.

Mines & Geology

- **175)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, in continuation of the approach of using digitisation to bring reforms in the mining sector in the state, 20 mines were allocated through competitive bidding process through e-Auction portal in 2023-24.
- 176) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I had announced that a new revamped e-Rawanna portal would be made operational during 2023-24. I am happy to state that, a new portal namely "Haryana Mines & Geology Information System portal" has been made operational in December 2023 replacing the old e-Rawanna system. The weighbridges are mapped to the portal and the system captures movement of mineral laded vehicles in real-time along with the weight of the loaded vehicle automatically. This shall help in curbing illegal mining and transportation of minerals.

Information, Public Relations, Languages and Culture

- 177) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, it is a matter of pride that the state's tableau has been selected for the Republic Day Parade for three consecutive years. I am also happy to share that Haryana has bagged the third spot in the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsay' and was felicitated with a National Award.
- 178) Last year, I had announced that a memorial to commemorate the life and teachings of Guru Ravidas would be established in Pipli, Kurukshetra. I am happy to state that 5 acres of land has been identified for the Guru Ravidas Smarak in Pipli and the design of the Smarak is being prepared by the Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikarn (HSVP) in consultation with experts and stakeholders.
- **179)** I announce to provide land at Pipli, by Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikarn (HSVP) for construction of proposed Sikh Museum to recount to the young generations, the glorious history, struggles and contributions of the Sikh religion to the country and mankind.
- 180) Haryana Teerth Yatra Yojana was launched in December 2023 so that senior citizens get an opportunity to go on a pilgrimage to important destinations such as Ayodhya, Patna Sahib, Ajmer Sharif, Varanasi, Amritsar, Ujjain, Katra and Nanded. Under the scheme, a senior citizen who belongs to a family whose annual income is up to ₹1.80 lakh would be eligible for free travel to these destinations. Registration process has commenced. The first group of pilgrims to Ayodhya will depart in the first week of March. Thereafter, I hope that groups of pilgrims will avail the benefit of the Scheme to visit a pilgrim centre every week.

181) The Government has taken several measures for the welfare of media persons. The pension of media persons has been increased from ₹10,000 to ₹15,000 per month last year. At present 193 media persons are availing the benefit of monthly pension. The Government has enhanced the insurance coverage of accredited media persons from ₹5 lakh to ₹10 lakh with the entire enhanced premium being paid by Government.

Information Technology and Citizen Resources Information

- **182)** Hon'ble Speaker Sir, Good Governance or Sushashan is the guiding principle for this Government. At the heart of this endeavour is the technology-based unique programme the Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP). The core objective of PPP is paperless, faceless governance providing services at the citizen's doorstep. Till date, 71.60 lakh families have registered on PPP comprising 2.85 crore individuals. The data verification work is also nearly complete and all important schemes and services provided by the Government has now been linked to PPP.
- **183)** The governance revolution that started some years ago is at a stage where tangible benefits in terms of ease of living for citizens have become visible. In the coming year, the initiatives under the PPP umbrella shall be consolidated so as to transition smoothly into the next phase.
- **184)** The revamped Jan Sahayak mobile app was launched in 2023, with the objective of providing a single window portal to all government portals and services. I hope that the Jan Sahayak app will be widely used by citizens to access the multitude of online portals and digitals services offered by the Government.

- 185) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I had stated last year that the Government has received the approval of a scheme for improving digital connectivity at the Gram Panchayat level at a cost of ₹130 crore including a grant of ₹65 crore by the Central Government. I am happy to mention that the implementation of the Scheme has commenced and 7079 optical fibre connections have been enabled at the Gram Panchayat level including Gram Sachivalayas, Government schools, health centres and other locations. On completion of the Scheme, over 62,000 fibre optic connections would be provided at the Gram Panchayat level.
- **186)** The State Government has taken up the revamping of Haryana State Data Centre and augment the State Wide Area Network besides upgradation of bandwidth in order to meet the growing connectivity requirements in Government offices up to the block level. The tenders for these works have been issued and it is expected that these works will be carried out at a cost of ₹300 crore.

Conclusion

- 187) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, this is the period when our Nation will take a quantum leap. To quote our Hon'ble Prime Minister, "For India, Yehi Samay Hai, Sahi Samay Hai" which will be time for national development and glory. We will have to channel the energies of every one of us to lead India to a Developed Bharat and Developed Haryana. This is the period in which we reclaim the glories of our past, I am sure that the hardworking people of Haryana will lead the growth and development of the nation.
- **188)** We need to keep our eyes on the GYAN framework while facing challenges before us, in making of Vikasit Haryana.

GYAN means – our objective will be to provide adequate facilities to Gareeb as well as Annadatta Farmer and to provide better opportunities for the advancement of Yuva-Shakti and Nari-Shakti.

189) Hon'ble Speaker Sir, this Budget takes us forward towards Amrit Kaal. I have resisted the tendency to be profligate in the budget proposals as fiscal responsibility and discipline is essential to ensure that we do not unnecessarily burden our future. I am confident this august House will understand and appreciate the approach taken by the Government.

190) I am sure that the Budget will be enriched and strengthened by the deliberations on the floor of the House.

191) With these words, Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I commend the Budget proposals for 2024-25 for the consideration and approval of the House.

Jai Hind!