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**Hon. Speaker Sir,**

Gujarat has vastly benefitted by the non-stop inclusive development journey when it is nearing the completion of six decades of its formation. Citizens of the state have given us the opportunity to write **golden chapters of Gujarat's development journey since last 25 years**. We have proved the responsibility entrusted to us worthwhile with the support and cooperation of the people.

During these 25 years, we have provided safe drinking water facilities, village to village quality health care services, 24-hour power supply, productivity in agriculture and animal husbandry, expansion of irrigation facilities, schools, collages, and universities. Side by side, we have put in place vast network of roads, enhanced residential amenities in rural and urban area and have created large scale infrastructure facilities. Gujarat has taken a quantum leap forward in industrialization by brining investment of billions of rupees. Because of development in all the sectors, **Gujarat has become a role model** and has earned recognition in the world being the leading state of the country. **Now we aim to make our state from Excellent to the Most Excellent.**

કામ કરતા આવ્યાં છીએ, કામ કરતા રહીશું,  
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કામ કરતા બનાવ્યું, ૨૫ વર્ષમાં ઉત્તમ ગુજરાત,  
ચાલો, સૌ બનાવીએ સાથે મળી સર્વોત્તમ ગુજરાત.

સર્વસમાવેશક વિકાસપથ પર આગળ ધપતાં રહીશું,  
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The journey of development which began under the competent leadership of Hon. Prime minister Shri Narendrabhai Modi has continued on the four important pillars of **sensitivity, transparency, progressiveness and decisiveness** under the leadership of Hon. Chief minister Shri Vijaybhai Rupani.

Keeping framers' welfare at the center, from last year **Hon. Prime minister has introduced the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sanman Nidhi Yojana** under which assistance of ₹6000 is provided to every farmer family. Under this scheme, 48 lakh farmers of Gujarat have directly received **₹3186 cr.** into their bank accounts.

Our Government has announced this year **the biggest ever agricultural package of ₹3795 cr.** in the interest of millions of farmers keeping in view the crop-loss to the farmers owing to unseasonal and excessive rainfall and the compensation is being paid to the beneficiary farmers in their bank accounts. Government also took prompt effective steps towards the unforeseen attack of locust in North Gujarat which saved the farmers from incurring huge losses. **Thus, in the interest of the farmers, our Central and State Government has solidly stood with them.**

Government has implemented Sujalam Sufalam Scheme, SAUNI Scheme and lift-irrigation schemes towards **powerful water management**. Sujalam Sufalam Scheme, **desalination of sea water** and **reuse of treated waste water** have been put in implementation in order to increase **water conservation** capacity. With such far sighted and integrated water management, **Gujarat continues to rank first in Composite Water Management Index for the third consecutive year**.

Gujarat has facilitated **Ease of Doing Business** under Business Reform Action Plan. This has provided unprecedented momentum to industrial growth. As recently announced by Government of India, because of its liberal incentive policies, Gujarat alone has recorded memorandum for investment of ₹3,44,000 cr. out of the total investment of ₹6,79,000 cr. which are recorded through the Industrial Entrepreneurs' Memorandum. This forms **51 percent** of the total investment memorandum. **More than 43 percent of the Start Ups** of the entire country are from Gujarat only.

Our Government has implemented a policy of **“first Production, then Permission”** to encourage and facilitate MSME industries. This policy allows an entrepreneur to set up an industry first and obtain the necessary permission to do so within three years. As a result, approximately 16000 MSME are registered every month. Thus, to generate large scale employment through balanced development of agriculture, industrial and service sectors is the priority of our people-centric Government.

An excellent condition having **all-inclusive development** has been generated in Gujarat with the help of a number of schemes catering to the basic social, economic, educational and health needs of all sections of the society. This has improved the standard of living of the people of the state.

**Statue of Unity** – the 182 meter, tallest in the world, Statue of Saradar Vallabhbhai Patel-the architect of integrated India - has now become the identity of India. Up till now, as many as **40 lakh tourists have visited the magnificent statue of the Saradar**. The number exceeds the tourists who visited the Statue of Liberty or the Taj Mahal. Hon. Speaker Sir, I am glad to say that the Statue of Unity **has been declared the eighth wonder** of the world by a reputed international organization.

Through **transparent and result oriented governance**, our Government has taken a series of steps to fulfill the aspirations and expectations of the people of Gujarat. People's trust in Government has increased on account of access to on line revenue services, like the online process of N.A, simple and speedy sanctions to building construction, payment to beneficiaries through direct online transfer and removal of RTO check-posts etc.

In the Budget 2020-21, **Government of India** has announced **special schemes for Gujarat**. The schemes include setting up of the bullion exchange in the Gift City, redevelopment of Dholavira site, establishment of Maritime Museum in Lothal, establishment of National Forensic University and National Police University. With the commissioning of these institutions, opportunities for higher education and employment will be available in the state on a large scale.

Hon. Prime minister has set a target to make India a **five trillion dollar** economy in five years, that is **₹ 360 lakh crore**. Comprehensive planning will be undertaken so as to enable Gujarat to make a significant contribution in it.

In this budget, we have placed **special thrust on Education, Health, Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Water Management, Rural and Urban Development, Social Development** with the objective to take the state to even higher peaks. In our pursuit of development, we have also accorded priority to maximum use of unconventional sources of energy and preservation of environment.

I present before you the budget for 2020-21 of our Government which works untiringly keeping in focus the motto of **Sauno Sath, Sauno Vikas, Sauno Visvas**. I feel extremely proud to present the **8<sup>th</sup> budget** as the finance minister of Gujarat which ranks at the top among the leading states of the country. The **size of the budget** 2020-21 is **₹2,17,287 cr.**

**Welfare of farmers**      **A provision of ₹7423 cr. for Agriculture, Farmer Welfare and Co-operation Department.**

Government of Gujarat is constantly trying to double the income of farmers by the year 2022. Government has implemented many farmer oriented schemes like irrigation facilities, interest free crop-loan, crop-insurance subsidy for procurement of seeds, farm implements and fertilizer; procurement of crop-production at support price etc. We stood like a rock with them even in the face of sudden natural disaster. Thus, our Government has supported the farmers at every stage from plantation to market.

- Farmers of the state avail short term crop-loan of approximately **₹39,000 cr.** every year from co-operative as well as nationalized banks. The entire interest component of the loan is borne by State Government and the Central Government. Thus, farmers of Gujarat avail crop-loan **at zero percent interest**. A provision of **₹1000 cr.** for this purpose.
- I am happy to inform you that considering the recommendation made by State Government, Government of India has made announcement to make Crop Insurance Scheme voluntary for farmers. However, for those farmers who want to take the insurance, a provision of **₹1190** to assist them in paying the premium.
- A provision of **₹300 cr.** for the various projects of agriculture and allied sectors under **Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana**.

- I am glad to announce **Mukhya Mantri Pak Sangrah Yojana** for preventing crop-loss owing to unseasonal rain, cyclone, excessive rain, insect menace and other factors. Under this scheme, farmers will be provided subvention of ₹30,000 per unit for construction of **on farm storage structure** in the farm. The construction of such **on farm storage structure** will be exempt from N.A. permission. For this, a provision of **₹300 cr.**
- A provision of **₹235 cr.** to provide subvention to 29,000 farmers for procuring tractors and to 32,000 farmers for procuring various implements under farm mechanization.
- In the recent time, demand for natural farm products has increased because of the damage caused by excessive use of insecticides and fertilizers. We have implemented the scheme to encourage natural farming in Valasad and Dang districts of South Gujarat. Now, I announce a new scheme for the farmers to shift to **Cow Based Natural Farming**. Under this scheme, **a farmer shifting to cow based natural farming will be provided a subvention of ₹900 per month, i.e. ₹10,800 per year.** The farmer will require to use cow dung based manure and Jivamrut for natural farming. This will help increase the fertility of the soil in the long run and people will get healthy organic grains and vegetables and the benefit of serving the cow will also be achieved. A provision of **₹50 cr.** to cover approximately 50 thousand farmers under this scheme.
- It is utmost necessary to put in place transport facility to enable farmers to take their production to other cities of the state and other parts of the country to sell. For this purpose, Government of India has announced **Kisan Rail and Udan Yojana**. I announce **Kisan Parivahan Yojana** on the same line. Under this scheme, farmers will be provided subvention of **₹50000 to ₹75000** for procuring **light load bearing vehicle**. A provision of **₹30 cr.** to provide this benefit to five thousand farmers in the initial stage.
- Farmers will be provided subvention to **transport their production to railway station** or airport. For this, a provision of **₹10 cr.**
- A provision of **₹87 cr.** to provide subvention for increasing the production of crops like wheat, rice, pulses, coarse grain, cotton, sugarcane and oil seeds under National Food Security Mission.
- A provision of **₹72 cr.** under **Khatedar Khedut Akasmat Vima Yojana**.
- A provision of **₹34 cr.** to give assistance to Agro and Food Processing Units.

- A provision of ₹12 cr. for setting up **Gujarat Organic Agricultural University**, the first in the country, at Halol in Panchmahal district.

### **Animal husbandry**

- I am glad to inform this august House that Gujarat is in the forefront in Animal Husbandry sector and in paying fair price of milk to livestock owners by collecting milk from them through cooperative dairies and adding value to it. Along with agricultural income, income generated from animal husbandry contribute significantly to rural economy. To assist millions of animal keepers of the state, I announce **Mukhya Mantri Pashudan Sahay Yojana**. Under this scheme, **150 kg. cattle feed will be provided at 50% concessional rate for one month** when their cow or buffalo give birth to a calf.. This will provide healthy, nutritious feed to milch animals. A provision of ₹200 cr. to provide benefit to approximately 15 lakh livestock owner members of village milk co-operatives of the state.
- Many organisations operate through the medium of **Panjara Pol** for looking after cows. These organisations play an important role in saving *gaudhan* of Gujarat in difficult years. I am glad to announce a new scheme to make these organisations self-sustaining. Under this scheme, benefit of infrastructural facilities will be provided for cow sheds, godown for fodder storage, tube well facility for water, solar rooftop installation, micro irrigation in the fodder plot, sprinkler etc. as **one time subvention for upgrading Panjara Pols**. For this, a provision of ₹100 cr.
- A provision for ₹ 81cr. for providing subvention to livestock owners under various schemes like dairy farm, animal unit and goat unit etc.
- A provision of ₹35 cr. to provide one veterinary center per every 10 villages in the state.
- A provision of ₹43 cr. for setting up a new veterinary college at Rajpur Nava, Himmatnagar, a center for post graduate study in fisheries, veterinary institutes and construction of Intensive livestock conservation offices.
- A provision of ₹32 cr. for carrying out conservation activities for the famous “Geer and Kankarej” cow breeds of Gujarat.
- A provision of ₹27 cr. for **Mukhya Mantry Nishulk Pashu Saravar Yojana**.
- Our culture believes in caring for animals. The service of **Karuna Ambulance -1962** has been started in 31 cities for treatment of animals and birds which cannot call out for help. A provision of ₹13 cr. for strengthening this service in the cities of Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Surat, Rajkot, Bhavnagar and Mehsana.

## Horticulture

- Thousands of vendors sell fruits and vegetables by the side of the road or in open places in their pulling carts. I am glad to announce that to provide these small traders protection from scorching heat, chilling cold and pouring rain and to prevent their fruits and vegetables from being damaged, **large size umbrellas** will be provided to them. A provision of **₹8 cr.** for approximately 65000 such retail vendors.
- We have made special planning to prevent the loss after harvesting horticulture crops, to give protection against price- reduction in the market and for value addition. For this, FPO based infrastructural facilities will be developed on pilot basis in Banaskantha, Jamnagar, Kutch, Navasari and Chhota Udepur. For linking horticulture productions with E- NAM and take them to national- international markets, a provision of **₹25 cr.**
- A provision of **₹6 cr.** to give training for skill enhancement of horticulture crops.
- A provision of **₹2 cr.** to establish a new Centre of Excellence in Jamnagar district.

## Agricultural University

A provision of **₹750 cr.** for intensifying agricultural research and educational programme at Agricultural University.

## Fisheries

- I announce a new scheme to provide subvention to small traditional fishermen for procurement of engines. Under this scheme, 50 percent subsidy of the unit cost of ₹1,20,000 will be provided **for purchasing marine fishing boat**, 2 stroke, 4 stroke, TBM and OBM engine. A provision of **₹9 cr.** for this purpose.
- A provision of **₹200 cr.** under the scheme to exempt VAT on the diesel oil used in mechanized fishing boats.
- A provision of **₹150 cr.** for development of Mangrol, Navabandar, Veraval, Madhavad, Porbandar and Sutrapada fishing ports and for maintenance and infrastructure of the existing ports.
- A provision of **₹87 cr.** to provide modern equipment to fishermen for making inland and marine fisheries lucrative and safe.
- A provision of **₹2 cr.** to provide tool subsidy for procuring **safety gears for rescue operation** in case of a disaster during fishing.

## Co-operation

- We know that farmers bring their farm produce to market committees to sell them and the farm produce are auctioned and weighed in the market committee itself. Such farm produce stored in the open space get damaged during unseasonal rain, hail storm or any other natural disaster. Therefore, market committee will be provided subvention to construct **godowns upto 5000 MT capacity**. For this, a provision of **₹50 cr.**
- It is necessary to revive weak or closed cooperative sugar mills to give protection to the farmers of such mills. A provision of **₹25 cr.** to give subvention to the sound sugar mill taking over such mills.
- Under the scheme of Central Government, interest for one year will be paid by Central Government on the soft loan taken for five years by sugar co-operatives for the payment of sugarcane for the year 2018-19. State Government will pay 7 percent of the interest payable against the soft loan or the actual payable interest, whichever is less, for maximum 4 years. For this, a provision of **₹23 cr.**

## Water resources

### **A provision of ₹7220 cr. for various activities under Water Resources Department.**

- Thanks to the works accomplished till date in the first and the second phases of SAUNI Yojana - which has proved a boon for the Saurashtra Region-32 reservoirs, 48 lakes and more than 181 check dams have been filled with Narmada water. Works of five packages amounting to ₹2403 cr. of the third phase of SOUNI Yojana are under progress. A provision of **₹1710 cr** for **SAUNI Yojana**.
- Government of India has allocated **₹757 cr.** for a period of five years under **Atal Bhujal Yojana** for improving the quality of ground water. 24 talukas of Kutch and North Gujarat have been included under this scheme.
- A provision of **₹366 cr.** for water conservation works like construction of new check dams, deepening of lakes etc.
- The pipeline to be laid from Tharad to Sipu Dam in Banaskantha district will benefit approximately 6000 hectare area of Tharad, Lakhani, Deesa and Dantiwada taluka. A provision of **₹225 cr.** for this purpose.
- It has been planned to enhance the irrigation facilities with the help of the excess flood water of Narmada in Kutch. 57,850 hectare area will be benefited with this scheme. For this, a provision of **₹100 cr.**
- A provision of **₹60 cr.** for Hirpura and Valasana barrage being constructed on river Sabarmati at the cost of **₹200 cr.**
- Works under Piyaj to Dharoi to Redlakshmipura and Kherava – Visnagar scheme are on the verge of completion. For this, a provision of **₹55 cr.**

### **Total provision of ₹1142 cr. for Tribal Area**

- A provision of **₹250** cr. for Songadh – Uchchhal - Nizar lift irrigation scheme based on Ukai reservoir - which is to be completed at the cost of ₹962 cr.
- A provision of **₹103** cr. for Kadana reservoir based Kadana – Dahod pipeline, the majority works of which have been completed. It has been planned to carry out works of Kadana Dahod pipeline based lift irrigation scheme at the cost of **₹223** cr. to fill up additional 74 additional lakes and 12 river channel.
- A provision of **₹92** cr. for Tapi- Karjan link lift irrigation scheme in Umarpada taluka in Surat district and Dediypada taluka in Narmada district.
- It has been planned to carry out works for Panam reservoir based scheme to be completed at the cost of ₹249 cr. A provision of **₹73** cr. for this purpose.
- A provision of **₹70** cr. for Kakarapar- Goradha – Vad lift irrigation scheme in Surat district in South Gujarat which is to be completed at the cost of ₹511 cr.
- A provision of **₹57** cr. for the Panam high level cannal based scheme to be completed at the cost of ₹215 cr.
- A provision of **₹28** cr. for laying pipeline under Karjan Reservoir based scheme to be completed at the cost of ₹418 cr.
- A provision of **₹25** cr. for Vagharej Recharge scheme in Ganadevi taluka of Navasari district.

### **Bhadbhoot Barrage**

- Total provision of **₹400** cr. to commence the work of **Bhadbhoot Bharrage** with the purpose of preventing salinity ingress and improve the quality of ground water and also for completing studies under **Kalpasar Yojana**.

### **Micro irrigation scheme**

- Largely due to the progressive thinking of the farmers and the efforts of Government, total 18.74 lakhs hectare area has been brought under micro irrigation till date. 11.51 lakh farmers of the state have adopted micro irrigation and yielded quality production through economic use of water. **A provision of ₹750 cr. for this scheme.**
- **For enhancing the scope of Micro Irrigation System in the state and ensure efficient use of irrigation water, 50% concession in the existing irrigation rate will be given to the farmer group which will fetch water from the existing canal network and irrigate the land through Micro Irrigation System.**

## Narmada Yojana

- We all are conversant with the various benefits of Narmada project which has contributed immensely towards the prosperity of Gujarat. It has been planned to complete the required works and take full benefit of the project with planning involving a cost of ₹8755 cr. This will include ancillary works of the main dam, rehabilitation and environment related activities, construction of Garudeshwar weir, Gora Bridge, maintenance of power houses, canal automation work, works up to distributary canals and land acquisition.
- It has been planned to provide 1 million acre feet water using the excess water flowing from the dam during monsoon to Kutch. Towards this end, a provision of ₹1084 cr. for completion of the remaining works of Kutch branch canal, undertaking the works of Dudhai sub-branch canal and its distributaries.
- Works are under progress to construct small power stations at 18 places on Miyagam, Vadodara, Saurashtra and Kutch branch canals of the canal network of this project. Total power production will reach to about 86 MW on commissioning of all the small power stations. For this, a provision of ₹90 cr.

Education  
Department.

A provision of ₹31955 Cr. for Education Department.  
Primary and Secondary Education.

**Mahatma Gandhiji** has said that education means evolvement of the **best aspects of the body, mind and soul of a child**. Our Government has implemented a number of schemes to brighten the future of the India taking shape in the class rooms. I announce “**School of Excellence Scheme**” to ensure quality education in Government Schools. This scheme strives to create Schools of Excellence to ensure education of excellent quality.

- 500 of the state schools will be developed as “**School of Excellence**”. Talented students from the taluka will be identified and expert teachers will impart best education of global standard in this school. A provision of ₹250 cr. to provide all the modern infrastructural facilities, smart class rooms, computer lab, stem lab and sports facilities in these schools.
- I am glad to inform that **construction of 7000 class rooms** of primary schools will be undertaken this year. For this, a provision of ₹650 cr.
- The **Command and Control Centre** will be strengthened for quality improvement in school education and real time online monitoring of the schemes. A provision of ₹188 cr. for this purpose.
- A provision of ₹5 cr. for **Gujarat School Quality Accreditation Council** for evaluating academic work and infrastructural facilities of the schools.

- A provision of ₹980 cr. under Mid-Day-Meal and Anna Sangam Yojana for 43 lakh students studying in std. I to std-VIII.
- A provision of ₹10 cr. to construct kitchen sheds in 404 Mid-Day-Meal centers of Government Primary Schools in seven districts. This will benefit approximately 55 thousand children.
- A provision of ₹550 cr. to provide subvention to approximately 4 lakh 22 thousand students getting enrolled in private schools under Right to Education Act towards their school fee, uniform, school bag etc.
- A provision of ₹125 cr. to create virtual class rooms and facility like “Gyankunj” that may help approximately 6 lakh children studying in 15,000 class rooms of primary schools.
- A provision of ₹85 cr. for free lodging and boarding of 22,000 girls studying in 240 Kasturba Gandhi Vidyalaya Residential Hostel cum Schools located in the interior parts of the state.
- A provision of ₹66 cr. for transportation of 1,50,000 children studying in Government Schools located at a distance of more than one kilometer from their respective residence.
- A provision of ₹50 cr. to provide audio visual aids to approximately 1,22,450 Divyang children studying in Government Schools.
- A new building for district Institute of Education and Training (DIET) will be constructed at Vyara at the cost of ₹14 cr. Teachers and students in tribal area will be benefited by this and the quality of training and education will also improve. For this, a provision of ₹4 cr.

### **Higher Education and Technical Education.**

- A provision of ₹200 cr. to distribute tablets under Tablet Scheme to approximately 3 lakh students getting admission in colleges.
- A provision of ₹155 cr. for construction and repairing of institutes imparting technical education.
- A provision of ₹246 cr. for fresh construction of Government Universities of the state and for construction of buildings of Government colleges.
- A provision of ₹20 cr. under the “Shodh” Yojana for students engaged in quality research work at universities.
- A provision of ₹75 cr. for construction of different buildings of Gujarat Technological University, Lekawada, Gandhinagar.
- A provision of ₹59 cr. for procuring laboratory equipment, books, necessary physical resources in and construction and repairing work at Government engineering colleges and polytechnics imparting technical education.

- A provision of ₹10 cr. for enhancing the scope of the education institutes of the state to national and international level under **Study in Gujarat** scheme.
- Science stream will be introduced in the existing Government colleges in Kachhal-Mahuva, Dedyapada and Khergam. And also for starting 7 new Grant-in-Aid science stream colleges, a provision of ₹2 cr.
- Our Government has always remained in the forefront in providing modern education to students. Moving ahead in this direction, a provision of ₹7 cr. for starting **School of Defense studies** of Gujarat University by signing an MOU with DRDO.
- A provision of ₹12 cr. for introducing the course of **Department of Advance Defense Technology** at IIT RAM in collaboration with DRDO.
- A provision of ₹30 cr. under **Digital Education Development Fund** to undertake digital technology related activities in total 221 higher and technical educational institutes.
- A provision of ₹20 cr. for approximately 14 lakh students under **Student Start-Up** and Innovation Policy.

#### **Mukhya Mantri Yuva Swavalamban Yojana.**

We have implemented **Sarvagrahi Mukhyamantri Yuva Swavalamban Yojana** for the benefit of millions of students pursuing primary, secondary and higher education. Under this scheme, books and uniform are provided free of cost to primary and secondary students without discrimination of caste or creed and without taking in to account the income of the parent. Subsidy for tuition fee, lodging and boarding facilities are also provided under this scheme. A provision of ₹935 cr. for this purpose.

#### **Health and Family Welfare Department.**

**A provision of ₹11243 cr. for Health and Family Welfare Department.**

“Pahelu Sukh Te Jate Narya” Good health is the real wealth. Caring for the good health of the people of the state, we have created a huge chain of health infrastructure and through this chain, quality health services become available to every citizen of the state at negligible rate and at the earliest.

Our Government has formed a special strategy for **Sashakta Mahila Suposhit Gujarat**. The period for an infant from the day of conception till he/she completes two years has a deep bearing on the rest of his / her life. Therefore, schemes like Purak Poshan Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, Bal Sakha Yojana, Kasturba Poshan Sahay Yojana, Poorna Yojana have been implemented to provide adequate nutritional food to the mother and the child. For this, a provision of ₹2000 cr.

- Approximately 77 Lakh families have been registered under **Mukhya Mantri Amrutam-MA and MA Vatsalya scheme** which have become very popular. Approximately 25 lakh beneficiaries have been provided benefit under this scheme at the cost of **₹3710 cr.** For this, a provision of **₹1105 cr.**
- A provision of **₹450 cr.** for Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana.
- **Urban Health Centers** are being operated in urban area so that citizens in urban area get prompt treatment, health checkup of pregnant women is regularly done, necessary nutritious food is regularly served, total immunization (vaccination) of children is ensured and 100 percent implementation of Indradhanush programme is achieved. To enhance the scope of these centers, I announce the scheme of starting one Urban Health Centre for population of 10,000. Various health care services will be provided in this center through an MBBS or AYUSH doctor. A provision of **₹80 cr.** for setting up such Urban Health Centres.
- In order to intensify health care services and to **increase the existing number of MBBS seats** in the state of Gujarat, Central Government has accorded sanction to start 3 new medical colleges at **Navasari, Rajpipala and Porbandar.** Thus, there will be total 32 medical college in the state. A provision of **₹125 cr.** to bring the existing government hospitals in these three cities at par with medical college and for construction of the new colleges, hostels etc.
- A provision of **₹73 cr.** for the ancillary work related to **increasing 100 MBBS seats and 64 post graduate seats** in PDU College, Rajkot and medical college, Bhavnagar.
- I announce to construct a **new Maternity Child Hospital** with 600 beds at the cost of **₹180 cr. at SSG Hospital, Vadodara.** For this, a provision of **₹50 cr.**
- A provision of **₹7 cr.** for making available modern instruments for testing blood samples free of cost at PHCs under **Mukhya Mantri Nidan Yojana.**
- A provision of **₹27 cr.** for procuring **150 new ambulances** for strengthening the popular 108 Ambulance Service of the state.
- A provision of **₹21 cr.** to upgrade the Community Health Centers of Jasdand, Dhrol, Dahegam, Manavadar, Halol, Songadh and Chikhali to district level hospitals.
- A provision of **₹16 cr.** to purchase cancer care equipment at General hospital Sidhdhapur and MRI machine at Nadiad.
- A provision of **₹10 cr.** to construct modern hospital building at cottage hospital, Upleta and general hospital, Bilimora.

- A provision of ₹8 cr. for installation of medical equipment and to purchase 10 ambulances in district and sub-district hospitals.
- A provision of ₹4 cr. to provide two sari to **ASHA workers**-performing important tasks at the grass root level-to have their own identity.
- A provision of ₹22 cr. to enhance the strength of special **Neonatal Care Unit** at 4 Government hospitals for intensive care of infants.
- A provision of ₹2 cr. to start **Bachelor in Audiology Speech and Language Pathology** course at Medical college, Sola, Ahmedabad and to operationalize **Cochlear Implant Centers**.

**Women and Child Development Department.**

**Total provision of ₹3150 cr. for Women and Child Development Department.**

Under Poshan Abhiyan, smart phones and growth monitoring devices have been given in 53029 Anganwadis at the cost of ₹55 cr. As a result, the entire functioning is carried out digitally instead of maintaining as many as 11 registers. For monitoring and guidance of this task, a **State Management Centre** has been set up at the cost of approximately ₹2 cr. A **Project Management Unit** will be established to strengthen this centre.

- The grass root level workers with achievement of 100 percent well-nourished Anganwadi under “Poshan Abhiyan” will be conferred. “**Poshan Triveni Protsahan Puraskar**”. Under this scheme, cash prize of ₹12000 and ₹6000 will be given to Anganwadi worker and Tedagar respectively and ₹12000 will be given to the ASHA worker and ANM who have well-nourished all the Anganwadis in their own locality. For this, a provision of ₹8 cr.
- ₹35 cr. for construction of **500 Anganwadi Centres** at the rate of ₹7 lakh per Anganwadi in urban area.
- **Ran Anganwadi** will be started for 1500 salt worker families of Surendranagar district.
- **Mini Anganwadis** will be started in Central Jail of Ahmedabad, Surat, Vadodara and Rajkot districts.
- A provision of ₹500 cr. to provide subvention to approximately 5 lakh beneficiary widow women under **Ganga Swarupa Arthik Sahay Yojana**.
- A provision of ₹50 cr. for the popular **Vhali Dikari Yojna** complementing **Beti Bachavo Beti Bhanavo Yojna**.
- A provision of ₹12 cr. under **181 Abhayam Mahila Helpline** to help women encountering difficult situation and to counsel distressed women and girls.

## Water Supply

- **Doodh Sanjivani Yojana**

Total provision of ₹342 cr. for providing flavoured milk through Doodh Sanjivani Yojana to approximately 30 lakh beneficiaries including Anganwadi and primary school children and lactating mothers.

**Total provision of ₹ 4317cr. for Water Supply Division**

**Har Ghar Jal**

- For providing clean and adequate drinking water, our Government has completed the task of linking more than 13,300 villages and 203 urban areas through state wide **Water Supply Grid**. We have the achievement of providing tapped water to 78 percent households in rural area. It has been planned to provide tapped water to the remaining 17 lakh households by the year 2022 through **Har Ghar Jal** under **Jal Jivan Mission**. A provision of ₹724 cr. to fulfil the commitment to provide tapped water.
- State Government has made adequate planning to cover villages having ground water source based individual water supply scheme as a part of group water supply scheme based on surface water source in the **next 3 years**.
- **Planning of ₹9300 cr.** has been made for the next 3 years to cover villages having individual water supply scheme under group water supply scheme. This will benefit population of 125 lakh in 4635 villages. Tribal population of 50 lakh in 2200 villages will be benefited by this.
- To supply tapped water to every household under **Nal Se Jal Abhiyan**, State Government will undertake works amounting to ₹1000 cr. in the next 2 years. This will include connecting the faliyas of the village with the sump of the main village and creating the required storage capacity at the village. Approximately 8000 faliyas will be connected with main villages.
- To cater to the future requirement of water for Saurashtra and Kutch, bulk pipeline works of total ₹1400 cr. will be started for Navada-Botad-Gadhada-Chavand, Budhel-Borada, Chavand-Dharai-Bhesan and Chavand-Lathi. For this, a provision of ₹500 cr.
- The 08 group water supply schemes covering total population of 22 lakh of tribal areas of Mahisagar, Aravalli, Tapi, Panchmahals, Dahod and Narmada districts in the last two years at the cost of ₹1700 cr. are on the verge of completion. A provision of ₹850 cr. for water supply works under tribal area sub-plan.
- The task of setting up **desalination plants** of the capacity of 27 cr. liter capacity in Mandavi of Kutch, Dwaraka, Geer Somnath, Ghogha and the surrounding area to provide water security to the remote coastal villages of Saurashtra and Kutch have been taken up. During the next two years, State Government will allocate ₹1080 cr. towards capital fund for these plants.

- Under **Reuse of Treated Waste Water** Policy, the project of treating and reusing the treated waste water at Vadodara, Jamnagar, Gandhinagar and Bhavnagar are in progress. A provision of **₹100 cr.** to enhance the scope of this scheme in other cities.
- Works to supply water for 24 hours in Gandhinagar are in progress at the cost of **₹240 cr.**

## **Social Justice and Empowerment.**

### **Total provision of ₹4321 cr. for Social Justice and Empowerment.**

Comprehensive development of all sections living in the state is our priority. Our Government has taken a series of people oriented steps to take the benefits of the schemes to them to ensure that opportunities of development reach to all the section of the society.

- A provision of **₹575 cr.** for paying scholarship and uniform subsidy to approximately 38 lakh students studying in primary school and scholarship to approximately 7 lakh students studying in standard IX and X belonging to developing castes and scheduled castes.
- **Our Government will start to provide scholarship of ₹500 to scheduled caste boys of standard I to VIII and scheduled caste girls of standard I to V, Scholarship of ₹750 to scheduled caste girls of standard VI to VIII and uniform subvention of ₹600 to all these students studying in private primary schools. For this, a provision of ₹13 cr.**
- **Students belonging to the scheduled castes and the developing castes who pursue their studies by lodging in hostels are provided monthly subvention of ₹1200 towards food bill, which will now be raised to ₹1500. For which, a provision of ₹21 cr.**
- **The subvention of ₹200 provided towards boot-socks to students belonging to scheduled castes and developing castes studying in Model Residential Schools will be doubled and raised to ₹400.**
- **A provision of ₹80 cr. to provide free of cost cycles to approximately 1.60 Lakh girls belonging to developing castes and 22,500 girls belonging to scheduled castes studying in Standard IX.**
- **In order to encourage Samooh Lagna, SatFera Samooh Lagna Yojana is implemented. Under this scheme, scheduled caste and developing caste organisations are paid ₹2000 per couple within the limit of 25 couples and the couple is paid ₹10000. Instead, the organisations will now be paid ₹3000 per couple and the couple will be provided subvention of ₹12000. Total provision of ₹9 cr. for this purpose.**
- **A provision of ₹10 cr. to provide subvention to 1000 couples under Dr. Savita Ambedkar Aantargyatiya Lagna Sahay Yojana.**

- A provision of **₹142 cr.** to provide subsidy up to ₹1.20 Lakh to 16830 beneficiaries of developing castes under **Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Awas Yojana** and 2900 beneficiaries of scheduled castes under **Ambedkar Awas Yojana**.
- A provision of **₹100 cr.** to provide loan for direct finance from State Government Fund to total 8 corporations functioning for development of scheduled castes and developing castes.
- A provision of **₹2 cr.** for construction of **Dr. Ambedkar Bhavan at Botad**
- A provision of **₹50 cr.** to create infrastructure facilities in minority areas for development of education, health and skill development under **Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram** with the purpose of development of minority community.

### **Social Defence**

Total provision of **₹753 cr.** for 8 lakh beneficiaries under Rashtriya Vrudhdha Pension Yojana.

- The amount of monthly grant for maintenance for Vrudhdhashrams will be increased from **₹1500 to ₹2160**.
- Subvention of ₹750 is provided under **Niradhar Vrudhdha Pension Yojana**. Now elder people of the age of **75 or more will be given monthly pension of ₹1000**. Total provision of **₹117 cr.** for this purpose.
- Monthly subvention of ₹600 is provided to Divyang Persons suffering with 80 percent or more disability. Now it will be raised to **₹1000**.
- A provision of **₹50 cr.** for 18200 beneficiaries under Palak Mata-Pita Yojana.
- Under Rashtriya Kutumb Sahay Yojana, subvention of ₹20,000 is paid on the death - natural or accidental - of the head person of the family. A provision of **₹20 cr.** for this purpose.
- A provision of **₹14 cr.** to provide subvention within the limit of ₹20,000 to a Divyang person under Divyang Sahay Yojana to purchase tools and equipment for self-employment.
- A provision of **₹6 cr.** for construction of new building of Children Home for boys at Junagadh and for girls at Rajkot.
- A provision of **₹500 cr.** has been made for the Education and Employment Oriented Schemes by **Gujarat Bin-Anamat Shaikshanik and Aarthik Vikas Nigam**.
  - The monthly subvention of **₹ 1200** paid by the corporation towards food bill will now be raised to **₹1500**.

## **Tribal Development**

### **Total provision of ₹2675 cr. for Tribal Development Department.**

Our Government is committed to the comprehensive development of the tribal people. Vanabandhu Kalyan Yojana which was started in the year 2007 has brought about significant improvement in the lives of people dwelling in tribal area. Provision for **Vanabandhu Kalyan Yojana is ₹14106 cr.**

A provision of **₹374 cr.** to provide lodging, boarding and educational facilities to approximately 1,35,000 students of about 765 Ashram shalas, Modal Residential Schools and Ekalavya Schools.

- A provision of **₹379 cr.** for providing Post-Metric Scholarship to two lakh students.
- **Grant-in-aid hostels and Ashrams shalas are paid maintenance grant at the rate of ₹1500 per inmate per month. It will be now be raised to ₹2160. For this, total provision of ₹337 cr.**
- **Students lodging in hostels allied with a college are paid subvention of ₹1200 per month towards food bill. The subvention will now be raised to ₹1500. For this, a provision of ₹30 cr.**
- A provision of **₹143 cr.** to provide benefit of scholarship to 15 lakh Pre SSC students.
- A provision of **₹103 cr.** to provide lodging and boarding facilities to total 64,037 students of 1046 Government Boys and Girls hostels and grant-in-aid hostels.
- A provision of **₹75 cr.** to provide subvention for uniform to 12 lakh students studying in Std. I to VIII.
- **A provision of ₹41 cr. for construction and repairing of building of Government Boys Hostel, Ahmedabad, Mahuva, Anand, Chhota Udaipur, Valasad, Dabhoi and Dharampur and Government Girls Hostel, Rajpipla, Surat, Mandovi, Dharmapur and Vankal.**
- **A provision of ₹50 cr. to provide subvention for repairing trust operated Ashram Shala in tribal area.**
- **A provision of ₹9 cr. to gradually increase classrooms in Std. IX, X, XI and XII in 89 Ashram Shala and Post Basic schools.**
- **A provision of ₹3 cr. to start new Government hostels for boys at Kadana, Nizar, Sonagadh, Bodeli, Garabada and Vijaynagar and for girls at Kadana, Bhilad, Modasa and Manekpur.**
- A provision of **₹19 cr.** to provide cycles under **Vidya Sadhana Yojana** to approximately 5000 girl students of standard IX.
- A provision of **₹22 cr.** under Samaras Hostels equipped with modern facilities, which will benefit 3750 scheduled caste students.
- A provision of **₹20 cr.** for Birsa Munda Tribal University at Rajpipla.
- A provision of **₹11 cr.** to provide subvention to 1300 bright students under **Talent Pool** scheme.

- A provision of ₹10 cr. under Free Medical Aid Scheme for treatment of diseases like T.B., cancer, leprosy and sickle cell Anemia.
- A provision of ₹63 cr. under CDC project to provide six basic amenities to Halapati and Primitive Groups.
- A provision of ₹15 cr. to provide benefit of self-employment to approximately 12000 beneficiaries under **Manav Garima Yojana**.
- A provision of ₹60 cr. to provide basic facilities to people living in tribal villages connected with other states in the eastern belt of our state.
- Under **Vadi Project**, saplings of fruit trees and fertilizer are provided in tribal area of south Gujarat in order to increase the income and improve the standard of living of tribal farmers. Now, to increase the scope of this successful scheme to all the tribal districts, a provision of ₹11 cr.
- A provision of ₹2 cr. to provide interest **subsidy at the rate of 6 percent** to tribal people on the loan taken through banks for the purpose of setting up small business under Self Employment Scheme.
- A provision of ₹1 cr. to provide subvention to tribal beneficiaries to encourage them for bee keeping and setting up Honey Collection and Processing Centre.

**Panchayat  
and Rural  
Development**

**Total provision of ₹9091 cr. for Panchayat, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department.  
Madre Vatan**

Gujaratis are spread across the country and the world. But they still carry in their hearts the love and the fond memories of their native places. They are eager to do something worthwhile for their native place. Our Government led by Hon. Chief minister shri Vijaybhai Rupani has come up with "Madre Vatan" Yojana with the noble intention to encourage such donors and to create better facilities in villages. I am glade to announce this scheme.

Under this scheme, **State Government shall contribute a matching amount of donation given by such donor** for developing facilities like schools, class rooms, smart classes, Anganvadi, cemetery, dispensary, roads, water tank, village pond, sewer system, community toilets ,library, community halls, panchayat ghar, etc. in the village. For this, a provision of ₹200 cr.

Hon.Speaker Sir, I am glad to announce a new scheme called Mukhya Mantri Mahilla Utkarsh Yojana. Under this scheme, if a Mahila Utkarsh Juth consisting of women from urban and rural area is formed and it avails loan up to ₹1 lakh, the interest thereon will be paid by State Government directly to the bank. Thus, the Mahilla Utkarsh Juth will receive loan at zero percent interest and women will find new strength for self-employment. A provision of ₹193 cr. to provide interest subsidy under this scheme.

- **Management of solid and liquid waste** is very necessary to maintain cleanliness in villages. For management of solid waste, 1667 gram panchayats of the state will be provided cleanliness equipment like **tricycle and hand cart**. Similarly, for management of liquid waste, **Gray Water Treatment Installation Plants** will be setup in 80 gram panchayats. For this, a provision of **₹61 cr.**
- Under the scheme of Government of Gujarat, all gram panchayats are provided monthly **grant of two rupees** per person for door to door collection of solid waste. Instead, grant at the rate of **four rupees** per person will be given, for which, a provision of **₹88 cr.**
- State Government has achieved remarkable success in providing housing unit to every family in rural area. All these houses have been constructed **with toilet facility**. To create bathroom facility along with the new houses, Government will provide subvention of **₹5000** against the beneficiary's contribution of **₹3000**. For this, a provision of **₹50 cr.**
- I am glad to announce **Mukhya Mantri Gramya Svanirbhar Yojana** with the objective to generate sustained employment for women in rural area. Under this scheme, women who are member of self help groups will be provided subvention to purchase mills to grind grains and spices. For this, a provision of **₹7 cr.**
- A provision of **₹3 cr.** to setup stalls for direct sale in the local fairs organized for marketing finished products.
- Against the **target of completing 3 lakh 11 thousands houses** to fulfill the noble intention of "Saune Awas" by 2022, **2 lakh houses** have been built till date. 85,000 new houses will be built under this programme. For this, a provision of **₹1100 cr.**
- A provision of **₹803 cr.** under **Svachhh Bharat Mission Gramin.**
- A provision of **₹490 cr.** under **Mahatma Gandhi Rashtriya Gramin Rojgar.**
- A provision of **₹235 cr.** for **Shyamaprasad Mukharjee Rurban Mission.**
- A provision of **₹195 cr.** for **Pradhan Mantri Krushi Sinchai Yojana.**
- A provision of **₹100 cr.** for connecting gram panchayats with high speed internet and making every gram panchayat e-enabled by equipping it with manpower including necessary hardware.
- For construction of new building of panchayats, a provision of **₹85 cr.**
- A provision of **₹10 cr.** to procure compactor for maintenance of the record of district panchayats and taluka panchayats.

- A provision of ₹5 cr. to prepare **Geo Tagging Asset Registrar** for systematic maintenance of gram panchayat assets and records and prevention of duplication of work.
- A provision of ₹6 cr. for construction of new building at **Panchayati Raj Talim Kendra, Shashikunj, Junagadh.**
- A provision of ₹10 cr. for construction of new quarters.

## Urban Development

**Total provision of ₹13440 cr. for Urban Development and Urban Housing Department.**

State Government provide all the necessary public amenities to the 45 percent citizens of the state dwelling in its cities. We are now moving in the direction of equipping towns of the state with modern facilities. Central Government has started **Smart City** project. On that pattern, we have made planning to make towns of the State **Smart Towns.**

A provision of ₹4544 cr. for **Swarnim Jayanti Mukhya Mantri Shaheri Vikas Yojana** which has become very popular and useful.

- A provision of ₹1169 cr. for creating facilities of underground drainage system and water supply.
- A provision of ₹500 cr. to assist the municipalities to develop necessary facilities where there is adequate stock of water but the distribution system is inadequate.
- A provision of ₹500 cr. under **Mukhya Mantri Sadak Yojana.**
- With the objective of reducing the traffic problem and to save fuel and time, a provision of ₹500 cr. under this scheme to construct flyovers in municipal and municipal corporation area.
- With the expansion of cities, a situation has arisen where the villages in the close vicinity of the cities and outgrowth areas are getting incorporated in to the cities. A provision of ₹250 cr. to develop necessary infrastructural facilities in such area.
- In order that a **competitive atmosphere for developing people oriented facilities** is generated among cities, ₹100 cr. will be allocated for developmental works at the rate of ₹20 cr. to each of the five municipalities selected through competition between “A” class and “B” class municipalities under Smart Town Mission.
- A provision of ₹15 cr. to provide assistance to Municipal Corporation to procure equipment to remove vegetation debris from rivers and lakes.
- A provision of ₹800 cr. to 8 municipal corporations and 23 municipalities for facilities like water supply, sewage, rain water disposal, transport etc. under **Amrut Yojana.**

- A provision of ₹597 cr. for area-based developmental work like area re-development, command and control centre, inter-model transport hub, CCTV, internet connectivity etc. in six cities under **Smart City Mission**.
- A provision of ₹200 cr. for providing healthy atmosphere to the people by making the cities clean under **Svachhh Bharat Mission**.
- A provision of ₹200 cr. to construct over bridge and under bridge over railway crossings.
- **Government aims to make Gujarat clean and plastic free. A provision of ₹56 cr. for providing subvention and other works to rag pickers to collect dry waste, plastic etc. from all the places of cities.**
- With the noble objective **to provide houses to all by 2022**, six lakh houses have been approved under **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**, for which ₹830 cr. is provided.
- **A provision of ₹50 cr. to provide subvention of ₹1 lakh by State Government to people of economically weaker section for purchasing a house within the limit of ₹15 lakh in urban areas.**
  - **It gives me immense pleasure to inform that the Central Government has accorded sanction to the Metro Rail Project at Diamond City, Surat. A provision of ₹406 cr. for the commencement of this project and for the progress of the work of Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar Metro.**
- A provision of ₹106 cr. for making the Fire Stations equipped with latest equipment.

### **Gift City**

With financial activities involving 13 Banks, 19 insurance companies, more than 50 capital market agencies and 2 international exchanges operating at the Gift city, the Gift City is marching ahead to become a global financial hub. Trading of approximately 600 billion dollars has been carried out at the GIFT City in the last year. With International Bullion Exchange coming up in the Gift City, large scale employment will be generated in the state. A provision of ₹200 cr. for share capital subscription to Gift City. The size of business carried out at the Gift City is approximately 60 billion Us Dollar.

**Labour  
Welfare and  
Employment:**

**Total provision of ₹1461 for Labour and Employment Department.  
Youth Employment**

By the government initiative, 17,86,797 youth have been provided employment through Employment Exchanges in the last five years. The construction work of Indian Institute of Skills at NASMED, Gandhinagar has started on 20 acre land for industrial demand based world class skill development. Employment opportunities to the youth of the state will increase by this initiative.

- A provision of **₹92 cr.** for recruitment of one lakh apprentices under **Mukhya Mantri Apprenticeship Yojana.**
- A provision of **₹50 cr.** for imparting skill training to approximately 70,000 youth under **Pradhan Mantri Kaushalya Vikas Yojana** and other skill development schemes through Gujarat Skill Development Mission.
- Government of India has started **Strive Project** to train the youth for employment. 30 Industrial Training Institutes are included in this project. A provision of **₹33 cr.** for this project.
- **Capital investment of ₹30 cr.** will be made for the establishment of **Gujarat Skill Development Corporation** on the lines of National Skill Development Corporation for strengthening Skill Eco System.
- A provision of **₹264 cr.** to provide infrastructure facilities like ITI, new buildings, workshop, theory room and construction of staff quarters and to equip them with latest equipment.

**Labour Welfare**

Subsidy to approximately 1,20,000 construction workers of Ahmedabad, Surat, Vadodara and Rajkot will be provided in the **travelling expense for commuting to Kadianaka and work place by City Bus.** This will reduce their cost of travelling and increase their income. A provision of **₹50 cr.** to provide the subsidy.

- Lunch at only ₹10 to the construction workers is provided under Shramik Annapoorna Yojana. Now onwards, **U-Win Card holders** will also be provided the benefit of this scheme. A provision of **₹35 cr.** for this purpose.

- Health related facilities are being given to the construction workers under **Dhanvantari Aarogya Rath Yojana**. A provision of **₹25 cr.** for providing additional 16 Aarogya Rath.
- At present, delivery assistance of ₹7500 is given to the wives of construction workers and female construction workers. Making this scheme more generous, now onwards, female construction workers will be provided assistance of **₹5000** for total 4 months i.e. last two months of pregnancy and for 2 months after the delivery. Thus, female construction workers will be paid a total amount of **₹27,500** towards delivery assistance upto two children. A provision of **₹6 cr.** for this purpose.
- Construction workers will be provided interest subsidy of **₹20,000** per year for five years under **Housing Subsidy Scheme** on the loan availed from banks.

## Roads and Buildings

### Total provision of ₹10,200 cr. for Roads and Buildings Department.

Our government has expedited generation of self-employment by extending all the amenities through the large network of roads to the farthest villages. Along with constructing government buildings and the quarters for the employees, we are also leading in constructing bridges, over bridges and under bridges for solving traffic problem.

I am glad to announce that resurfacing of 2499 roads which were constructed before 7 years or more will be carried out at the cost of **₹3600 cr.** Total length of these roads spreading across 150 talukas is 11200 kms. They include plan and non plan rural roads of the length of 9500 kms. For this, a provision of **₹1436 cr.**

- Some of the bridges in the state are decades old. They were built keeping in mind the load bearing capacity at the relevant time. As heavy vehicles like trucks, tankers, dumpers now pass through the bridges, it is necessary to construct new bridges which can bear their load. Therefore, it has been decided to carry out survey and inspection of the old bridges as a safeguard to prevent an accident. After the survey, the bridges which are found **weaker or dilapidated** will be strengthened or rebuilt. For this, a provision of **₹80 cr.** in the current year.
- Accidents can be prevented by getting **safety audit** of frequently accident prone roads done scientifically and making necessary technical modifications. For this, a provision of **₹26 cr.** at initial stage.
- I am glad to inform that the third phase of **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna** is to be started. Planning has been made to widen rural roads of the length of 3000 kms at an estimated cost of ₹1800 cr. Initial provision of **₹100 cr.** towards the state share for different works to be carried out.

- A provision of **₹2500 cr.** for **Mukhya Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana**, out of which,
  - **₹1159 cr.** for construction and modification of non-plan roads.
  - A provision of **₹291 cr.** for widening of other district roads, main district road and through-routes.
  - A provision of **₹286 cr.** for construction of high bridges in place of present causeways, deep and narrow channels.
  - A provision of **₹120 cr.** for the missing links and missing channels
  - A provision of **₹91 cr.** for construction and strengthening of roads passing through the forest area in tribal regions.
- The four-laning of the sections of 63 roads of the length of 1534 kms connecting cities, ports, industrial area, tourist places and pilgrim places are in progress at the cost of **₹2963 cr.**
- The widening of sections of 72 roads of the length of 1320 kms. upto 10 meters or 7 meters are in progress at the cost of **₹1807 cr.**
- Works of 41 new bridges are in progress at an estimated cost of **₹1206 cr.**
- Under World Bank aided project, works involving widening, strengthening and renovating the roads are under progress at the cost of **₹1938 cr.**
- Six-laning of 201 km long Ahmedabad-Bagodara-Rajkot road is in progress at the cost of **₹2893 cr.**
- Six-laning of Sarkhej-Gandhinagar highway is in progress at the cost of **₹867 cr.**
- Two-laning of Bhuj-Khavada-Dharmashala road and Tharad-Dhanera-Pathavada road with paved sholders is in progress at the cost of **₹352 cr.** and **₹464 cr.** respectively.
- The construction of over bridge over the railway crossing having traffic of more than **1 lakh train vehicle unit** is in progress in partnership with Railway and State Government.
- In last 5 years, **31 railway over bridges** have been completed under these scheme at the cost of **₹774 cr.**
- Works to construct **72 over bridges** over railway crossing including DFCC route are under progress.
- **68 new overbridges** have been sanctioned at the cost of **₹3400 cr.**

- 242 works including 5 Taluka Seva Sadans, 18 Rest Houses or Guest Houses and those of other departments have been undertaken at the cost of **₹2534 cr.**
- In order to provide residences with excellent facilities to Government employee to live with their families, construction of **548 quarters** have been completed at the cost of **₹123 cr.** In the current year, works of 1456 quarters are in progress at the cost of ₹409 cr. There is a planning to construct 1345 quarters at the cost of **₹350 cr.**

## Ports and Transportation

### A provision of total **₹1397 cr. for Ports And Transportation**

Our Government has made faceless most of the services related to vehicles and license so that the citizens may get quick and transparent service. Facility of providing learning license has been started at 221 ITIs and 29 polytechnics in place of 36 RTO offices which has made it more convenient to the citizens.

**895 new buses** will be inducted for making public transportation more easy and accessible. As these busses will be BS-6 model based, they will be environment friendly and help in keeping the atmosphere pollution free and clean. For which, a provision of **₹240 cr.**

- A provision of total **₹30 cr.** for construction of **7 new stations** and 9 new bus stations with ancillary infrastructural facilities in place of the existing old and dilapidated bus stations.
- Modernization of Alang Ship Recycling Yard has been planned at an estimated cost of **₹715 cr.** Under this project, the existing 70 ship recycling plots will be upgraded and 15 new plots will be constructed, which will generate employment in a big way.

## Energy and Petrochemicals

### A provision of **₹13917 cr. for energy and petrochemicals**

Hon. Speaker Sir, I am glad to inform this august House that with the **largest hybrid park** of the world coming up at Kutch, it will become the largest place in the world generating 25000 MW power per year at one place through both solar and wind energy.

Our Government is providing sufficient power connections, constant and qualitative power supply to farmers. Now we have decided to provide power supply to the farmers during **day-time** to satisfy their long standing demand. As a part thereof, I announce the new **Dinkar Yojana**. Under this scheme, it has been planned to strengthen transmission network and install new sub-station in 3 years at the cost of **₹3500 cr.** For this purpose, a provision of **₹500 cr.**

- This year a provision of **₹1489 cr.** to give approximately **One lakh** new agricultural power connections and for various scheme.
- A provision of **₹7,385 cr.** for providing subsidy for supplying power at concessional rate to reduce the cost of farming.

- A provision of **₹912 cr.** to provide subsidy for solar rooftop under Surya Gujarat Yojana
- A subsidy provision of **₹765 cr.** for providing free electricity to water works of all the gram panchayats.
- It has been planned to establish **140 new sub-stations** next year. For this, a provision of **₹421 cr.**
- A provision of **₹449 cr.** to produce 250 MW power this year under the solar P.V. Project of 2500 MW capacity in phased manner by **Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited** on the government land located near GETCO substation.
- A provision of **₹305 cr.** for changing the old and dilapidated electricity wires, shifting the obstructive power structures, division of long agriculture feeders, implementation of Kisan Hit Urja Shakti Yojna and providing three phase power supply to Sim Shalas.
- A provision of **₹275 cr.** towards share capital subscription to Gujarat Electricity Corporation Limited and Gujarat Electricity Transmission Commission.
- A provision of **₹150 cr.** for modernization and retrofitting of power generation units of Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Ltd.
- Total provision of **₹125 crore** under **Pradhan Mantri KUSUM Yojana** to solarize 18500 GRD connected pumps and for stand alone off GRID solar power agriculture pumps.
- A provision of **₹25 cr.** for providing domestic power connection to about 46,250 SC and ST families of the state having lesser income and fulfilling the required criteria of eligibility.

## Climate Change

### A provision of **₹1019 cr.** For Climate Change Department

Environment is facing many challenges with increasing development. Government has adopted a far sighted perspective to overcome future challenges of **climate change** and made a huge provision of **₹5922 cr.** for various schemes of **Green Budget** under various departments i.e. **₹1522 cr.** under Urban Development Department, **₹998 cr.** under Panchayat Department, **₹692 cr.** under Energy Department and **₹628 cr.** under Forest and Environment Department.

22,500 LED tube lights and 23,000 star rated fans will be installed at Government schools of the state. A provision of **₹6 cr.** for this purpose.

- Solar-energy based hot water system will be installed at Government schools, Eklavya schools, Government Circuit Houses and pilgrim places.
- An assistance of **₹40000** per rickshaw will be given for 800 E-Rickshaw.

- An assistance of **₹10000** per vehicle will be given for 1000 battery operated two wheelers.
- Assistance will be given to farmers for purchasing mini solar powered tractors and for installing charging points in cities for electric vehicles.

## Industries and Mines Department

### A provision of **₹7017 Cr. for the Industries and Mines Department**

Total **Foreign Direct Investment** was ₹12618 cr. in the state during the year 2018-19. Compared to that, in the first 6 month of the year 2019-20, Gujarat received two times foreign direct **Investment** i.e. ₹24012 cr. and has become the **best investment destination** in the entire country. During the last three years, out of 2574 big industries established in India, 735 big units have been established in Gujarat only, which is largely due to the state policy of providing incentives to industries, vast infrastructural facilities and sound law and order situation in the state.

- Under the Industrial Policy 2015, about 2600 units were sanctioned under MSME schemes during the current year. For which, a provision of **₹1450 cr.**
- A provision of **₹950 cr.** to promote the schemes that provide support to industries generating employment such as schemes for Incentive to Industries, plastic industries, Mega Innovative Project and Aerospace and defence sector.
- A provision of **₹500 cr.** for giving assistance to various infrastructural projects and deep-sea pipeline.
- A provision of **₹100 cr.** for rehabilitation of viable sick industrial units of the state.
- A provision of **₹95 cr.** for organizing Vibrant Gujarat Summit which has established Gujarat as the best place for investment at the global level.
- Under the scheme for assistance for creating industrial infrastructural facilities, a provision of **₹65 cr.** has been made for the sanctioned projects of the scheme.
- A provision of **₹37 cr.** for developing infrastructural facilities in the private industrial part and logistic park scheme. A provision of ₹40 cr. to provide assistance to them.
- A provision of **₹18 cr.** for Start-Up Innovation scheme for motivating the youth for research and innovative enterprises.
- A provision of **₹15 cr.** towards the welfare scheme for salt pan workers and subsidy to purchase solar pump for salt production.

## Mines and Minerals

It is necessary to obtain Environment Clearance Certificate for mining in the state. A provision of ₹20 cr. for preparing a study report as a part of the procedure to get this certificate quickly and easily.

- A provision of ₹6 cr. has been made for Gujarat Granite, Blacktrap, Bentonite, Chinaclay mineral policy to increase production and manufacturing in the field of minerals.
- A provision of ₹10 cr. for the development of Stone Artisan Park at Ambaji and Dhragandhra.

## Cottage and Rural Industries

- Under **Vajpayee Bankable Yojana**, credit upto ₹8 lakh is given in three fields- Industry, Service and Trade. Provision of ₹411cr. to give credit to approximately 37000 beneficiaries
- Under **Manav Kalyan Yojana**, to assist people of weaker sections of the society who are engaged in small occupations, tool kits according to their occupations are given. Provision of ₹48 cr. to cover 28,000 beneficiaries under this scheme.

## Tourism

With the efforts of State Government, large employment opportunities have been created in the field of tourism and hospitality. A provision of ₹480 cr. to accelerate development of tourism sector.

- A provision of ₹5 cr. for latest development of Ambardi Lion Safari Park at Amreli in view of the tourist flow for Sinh Darshan in Gir.
- Investment of ₹12,000 cr. is to be made under 383 projects under Tourism Policy; among which, 197 projects have been started and 19000 people have got employment. For this, provision of ₹60 cr.
- To intensify the fire of patriotism in the new generation, provision of ₹35 cr. for infrastructural facilities and organization of national level programmes under Nadabet Sima Darshan Yojana.
- Keeping in view the success of Balasinor Dinosaur Fossil Park, a provision of ₹10 cr. for its further development.
- ₹23 cr. have been allocated by Government of India to develop Shukla Tirth, Kabir Vad, Mangaleshwer and Angareshwar as a Mega Circuit, in which ₹5 cr. will be added by State Government for development of these places.
- A provision of ₹5 cr. to develop tourist facilities at Polo Forest in Sabarkantha District.

- A provision of **₹3 cr.** to develop **Kaliyar (Blackbuck) Sanctuary at Velavadar.**
- A provision of **₹20 cr.** for imparting training in various courses to 4500 local youths to make maximum employment opportunities available to them in Tourism and Hospitality sectors.
- A provision of **₹20 cr.** to develop tourist facilities at Uparkot in Junagadh, Dholavira and Mata no Madh.
- Famous **Heritage City Vadnagar** will be developed as a tourists place with approximate expenditure of **₹200 cr.** with the joint efforts of Government of India.
- Works of **₹150 cr.** on PPP mode have been started for the development at **Shivarajpur Beach** under coastal tourism.
- Works have been undertaken at the cost of **₹130 cr.** for the development of **Giranar** region and Giranar Rope-way on PPP mode.

### **Statue of Unity**

Considering the large numbers of tourists visiting **Statue of Unity** at Kevadia, which has carved a global identity, various facilities and attractions are being developed. For balance and planned development of this area, **Statue of Unity Area Development and Tourism Regularity Authority** has been established. Under **Integrated Kevadia Development Project**, construction works of Jungle Safari, Vishva Van, Arogya Van, Ekta Nursery, Cactus Garden, Vally of Flowers, Nutrition Park, Orchidarium, employment oriented activities such as making of hurbal soaps, maintenance of plants through women self-help groups have been planned. Total provision of about **₹387 cr.** has been made for comprehensive development of this tourist place.

### **Pavitra Yatradham**

A provision of **₹147 cr.** to undertake different works for developing infrastructure for pilgrims at religious, historical and ancient pilgrim places located in the state.

A provision of **₹30 cr.** for the development of 6 important pilgrim places and other temples of the State.

- A provision of **₹17 cr.** for the cleanliness of pilgrim places as a part of Svachchh Bharat Abhiyan.
- **Different tourist facilities will be developed at the cost of ₹10 cr. at Anaval-the pilgrim place of tribals in Mahuva taluka of Surat district-Kavero-kaveri and Gupt Triveni Sangam of Sarasvati river.**

## Development of Krishna Nagari Bet Dwaraka

Works of 4.56 kms. long four lane **Signature Bridge** on Arabian Sea connecting Bet Dwaraka and Okha is in progress at the cost of **₹962 cr.**

- It has been planned to **set up a museum** bringing alive the glimpses of Krishna Leela and develop basic facilities for pilgrims in Bet Dwaraka.
- Provision of **₹1 cr.** to start air service to facilitate the visit of Somnath and Dwarka within a day.

## Civil Aviation

- Provision of **₹45 cr.** to provide air connectivity to Porbandar, Mundra, Bhavnagar and Jamnagar and connect Kevadia, Sabarmati and Shetrunjay with Waterdromes under **UDAN Yojana.**
- A provision of **₹25 cr.** for airport development at Rajpipala, Amreli, Keshod and Mehsana.

## Forest and Environment Department

**Total provision of ₹1781 cr. for Forest and Environment Department.**

Charges are recovered from user agencies when forest land is given for other purposes. A provision of **₹250 cr.** under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) for undertaking forestation, conservation of forests, land and soil conservation, management of wild animals and biological resources management.

- A provision of **₹281 cr.** for preservation and conservation of forests.
- A provision of **₹228 cr.** for plantation of trees and ancillary extension activities under Social Forestation Scheme in the areas falling outside the forest areas.
- A provision of **₹24 cr.** for construction of **40 new godowns** to increase capacity of grass storage.
- A provision of **₹15 cr.** to give subvention to cattle keepers by developing grass land in Kutch district.
- A provision of **₹10 cr.** for **snake research center** at Dharampur, **Khadmor Bird Breeding Center** near Velavadar, radio collaring of leopards, plantation and processing of dragon fruit in tribal area.
- A provision of **₹2 cr.** for creating single-use plastic bag free nursery using specially prepared reusable tray for raising saplings as an alternative to plastic bags.

- A provision of ₹1 cr. for providing sapling of mango trees, cashew tress and manvel bamboos in the land allotted to beneficiaries under Forest Right Act.
- A provision of ₹1 cr. to create Holy Forest in the districts of tribal areas by growing trees which have significance in terms of religious beliefs.

## Law and orders.

### Total provision of ₹7503 cr. for Home Department

To strengthen the law and order situation of the state, **11000** new posts of various cadres will be created. So that youths will have the opportunity to work in the State Police Service besides having a job.

- It has been planned to raise the total existing strength of **home guards** from 45280 to 49808 with an increase of 4528 as it is a useful force for maintenance of law and order.
- A provision of ₹111 cr. for installation of CCTV cameras under **VISHVAS project** for safety and security of people of the state.
- A provision of ₹63 cr. for Nirbhaya Fund under **Safe City Project** for safety and security of women.
- Total 13,851 houses will be constructed in the coming three years to provide best facility of accommodation to police personnel serving day and night for the safety and security of the people of the state. For this, a provision of ₹288 cr.
- A provision of ₹80 cr. to strengthen the Forensic Science University and make it more efficient.
- A provision of ₹23 cr. to increase conviction rate through Conviction Rate Improvement Project.
- The **new office of the Police Commissioner** will be set up to improve the security of Gandhinagar, the capital of the state.

## Food and Civil Supplies.

### • Total provision of ₹1271 cr. for Food and Civil Supply Department.

Essential commodities like wheat, rice, cotton seeds oil, iodized salt, sugar, kerosene are distributed at fair price shops to the eligible people under **National Food Security Act** and Public Distribution System. We take sufficient care to ensure that every eligible person gets the benefit of this scheme. For this, a provision of ₹731 cr.

I am glad to inform that our Government has for the first time added Tur dal in the list of grocery given under public distribution system so that poor and middle class people can get protein rich food. Under this, **12kg. Turdal** will be distributed to a beneficiary at concessional rate to 66 lakh beneficiaries each. For which a provision of ₹287 cr.

## Revenue Department

### Total provision of ₹4473 cCr. for Revenue Department

My Government has made path breaking Revenue Reforms so that the farm holders and entrepreneurs of the state do not face any difficulty in revenue dealings.

- With a view to measuring the agricultural land accurately with advanced method, a provision of ₹27 cr. to purchase new DGPS machines in 108 more talukas.
- A provision of ₹13 cr. to purchase 150 Electronic Total Stations to facilitate measuring of the small plots, agricultural land or property in urban and municipality areas.
- A provision of ₹18 cr. to build modern civic centers–Jan Seva Kendras, which are providing about 283 services at taluka level.
- A provision of ₹15 cr. to transform 26 sub registrar offices as Model Offices to provide essential facilities to the citizens visiting sub registrar offices for registration of documents.
- A provision of ₹10 cr. to construct new Revenue Buildings keeping in view the increasing work load in Mehsana and Anand districts.

## Science and Technology.

### Total provision of ₹ 497 cr. for Science and Technology department.

My Government has taken significant steps to make the civic services prompt and transparent with maximum use of e-Governance. More than 6500 offices of the state have been linked with GSWAN connectivity.

- A provision of ₹75 cr. for theme based development like aquatics, robotics, space and astronomy in the Science City.
- A provision of ₹43 cr. to construct building of Biotechnology University and develop other facilities.
- A provision of ₹10 cr. to link every gram panchayat of the state with optical fiber.
- With a view to extending benefits of the research carried out in biotechnology to the sectors like industry, environment, marine and G-NOM, it is planned to construct an advanced laboratory at the cost of ₹7 cr.

**Sports,  
Youth and  
Cultural  
Activities**

**A provision of ₹560 Cr. for Sports, Youth and Cultural Activities Department.**

- The Khel-Mahakumbh has increased interest of the youth of the state in sports and created competitive environment in the sports sector. A provision of ₹79 cr. to move ahead in this direction.
- A provision of ₹72 cr. for district level sports school set up to impart intensive training of sports along with coaching to the emerging talent in sports sector.
- A provision of ₹6 cr under Shaktidut Yojana for providing incentive to the talented sports persons of the state.
- A provision of ₹5 cr. for infrastructure development for promoting sports in rural area, increase interest in sports and construct a sports museum in Jamnagar.
- A provision of ₹9 cr. for Kala-Mahakumbh for proper conservation and protection of art and culture of Gujarat.
- For the establishment of Tanariri Performing Arts College at Vadnagar, a provision of ₹1 cr. for promoting studies and research in dance, music and drama.
- A provision of ₹2 cr for canvassing of Yoga.

**Information  
and  
Broadcasting**

**Total provision of ₹169 cr. for Information and Broadcasting Department .**

Accredited journalists are provided with an insurance cover of 5 lakh in case of accidental death and ₹50,000 in case of natural death. Now insurance cover of ₹1 lakh will be provided in case of natural death.

**Legal  
department**

**Total provision of ₹1681 cr. for Legal Department**

Construction of new court buildings, development of modern facilities in the court and construction of staff quarters are planned.

- A Provision of ₹5 cr. for the grant to be provided to Bar Council of Gujarat for the welfare of lawyers.

**General  
Administration  
Department**

**Total provision of ₹1766 cr. for General Administration Department.**

- Hon. Speaker sir, I announce a new scheme named “Gujarat ne Jano”. Under this scheme, various activities shall be conducted to motivate the Gujarati youth residing in foreign country to visit Gujarat. This will keep them conversant about our mother tongue, culture and glorious heritage.
- A provision of ₹1308 cr for developmental works of local requirement under Decentralized District Planning Programme, ATVT and other schemes.
- Under “Seva Setu Programme” started to dispose of the individual grievances of citizens of the state on the spot, about 2 crore services have been provided on the spot to the citizens.

### Accounts for the financial year 2018-19

Now I, will review the actual receipts and expenditure for the financial year 2018-19, It was expected that there would be Surplus of ₹ 1374.18 cr. due to net transactions during the year on the basis of Revise Estimates. The accounts for the financial year 2018-19 indicate surplus of ₹ 355.46 cr. due to net transactions.

(₹ In crore)

		<b>Revised Estimates for the Financial year 2018-19</b>	<b>Accounts for the Financial year 2018-19</b>
(1)	<b>Consolidated Fund</b>		
	Revenue Receipts	140531.72	136001.55
	Revenue Expenditure	139153.06	132789.58
	<b>Surplus on Revenue Accounts</b>	<b>(+)1378.66</b>	<b>(+)3211.97</b>
	Capital Receipts	43852.01	43362.46
	Capital Expenditure including Loans and Advances	48956.49	45225.39
	Deficit on Capital Accounts	(-)5104.48	(-)1862.93
	<b>Total (1) Consolidated Fund (Net)</b>	<b>(-)3725.82</b>	<b>(+)1349.04</b>
(2)	Contingency Fund (Net)	0.00	(-)0.25
(3)	Public Accounts (Net)	(+)5100.00	(-)993.33
	<b>Total Net transactions (1+2+3)</b>	<b>(+)1374.18</b>	<b>(+)355.46</b>

### Revised Estimates for the financial year 2019-20

It was expected that there would be surplus of ₹ 285.12 cr. in the modified estimates for the financial year 2019-20 but now increased surplus of ₹ 5388.52 cr. is expected in the Revised Estimates by the end of year due to net transactions.

(₹ In crore)

		<b>Modified Estimates for the financial year 2019-20</b>	<b>Revised Estimates for the financial year 2019-20</b>
(1)	<b>Consolidated Fund</b>		
	Revenue Receipts	154731.96	149827.45
	Revenue Expenditure	151857.99	148685.55
	<b>Surplus on Revenue Accounts</b>	<b>(+)2873.97</b>	<b>(+)1141.90</b>
	Capital Receipts	43215.01	44311.02
	Capital Expenditure including Loans and Advances	51003.86	45164.40
	Deficit on Capital Accounts	(-)7788.85	(-)853.38
	<b>Total (1) Consolidated Fund (Net)</b>	<b>(-)4914.88</b>	<b>(+)288.52</b>
(2)	Contingency Fund (Net)	0.00	0.00
(3)	Public Accounts (Net)	(+)5200.00	(+)5100.00
	<b>Total Net transactions (1+2+3)</b>	<b>(+)285.12</b>	<b>(+)5388.52</b>

## Estimates for the financial year 2020-21

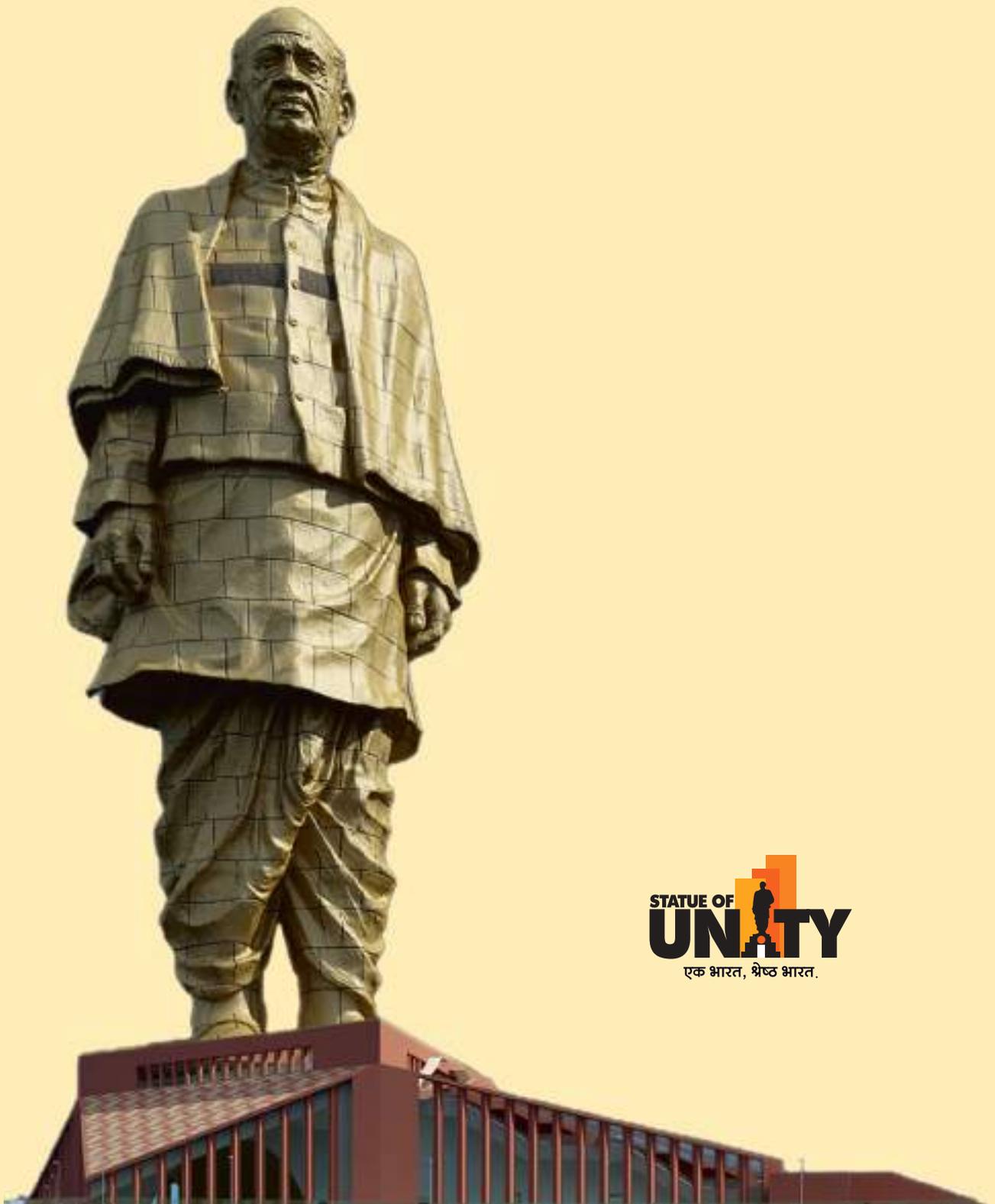
Estimates for the financial year 2020-21 indicates the surplus of ₹ 605.43 cr. as follows.

(₹ In crore)

		<b>Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-21</b>
(1)	<b>Consolidated Fund</b>	
	Revenue Receipts	162447.46
	Revenue Expenditure	161658.07
	<b>Surplus on Revenue Accounts</b>	<b>(+)789.39</b>
	Capital Receipts	46766.01
	Capital Expenditure including Loans and Advances	52474.97
	Deficit on Capital Accounts	(-)5708.96
	<b>Total (1) Consolidated Fund (Net)</b>	<b>(-)4919.57</b>
(2)	Contingency Fund (Net)	0.00
(3)	Public Accounts (Net)	(+)5525.00
	<b>Total Net transactions (1+2+3)</b>	<b>(+)605.43</b>

**Now, I will present Part B of my Budget Speech.**

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## **Honourable Speaker Sir,**

The overall surplus as per Estimates for the Year 2020-21 will be ₹ 605.43 crores.

I now present the tax proposals for the Year 2020-21.

### **Electricity Duty**

#### **Electricity Duty on Cold Storages**

Electricity Duty is levied on the cold storages at the rate of 20 percent at present. Keeping in view the development of agriculture in the State and in the economic interest of farmers, it is felt necessary to give more relief in this matter. Therefore, I propose to reduce the present rate of Electricity Duty by half, from 20 percent to 10 percent.

As a result of this proposal, the tax revenue of the state will be reduced to the extent of approximately ₹3.60 crore per annum, and about 1300 cold storages situated in the State will be benefited.

#### **Electricity Duty on Religious Places**

Religious places like temples, mosques, churches, gurudwaras, derasars, agiaris for different religions where pooja, prayer, namaz is performed, and also deri, samadhi, smashangruh, dargah, tomb, kabrastan are levied Electricity Duty at the rate of 25 percent at present.

State Government has been receiving representations from the Saints to reduce this rate of Electricity Duty on religious places. Considering the demand, I propose to reduce the rate of Electricity Duty on the previously referred religious places of different religions from 25 percent to 7.5 percent for rural areas and 15 percent for urban areas.

As a result of this proposal, the tax revenue of the state will be reduced to the extent of approximately ₹5.11 crore per annum, and about 10,500 religious places situated in the State will be benefited.

**Electricity  
Duty on  
Dharmshalas**

Gujarat has many important temples, which are visited by lakhs of devotees every year from all over the world. Lodging and boarding facilities for such devotees are catered by dharmashalas and most of such dharmashalas are run on service basis. Electricity Duty is levied on the consumption thereof, at the rate of 25 percent at present.

I, therefore, propose reduction in the rate of Electricity Duty on all these dharmashalas, and make it 15 percent for HT connection and 10 percent for LT connection.

As a result of this proposal, the tax revenue of the State will be reduced to the extent of approximately ₹1.45 crore per annum, and about 815 dharmashalas situated in the State will be benefited.

**Electricity  
Duty on  
Residuary  
Category  
(including  
trade and  
commerce  
category)**

Lakhs of shopkeepers in the State are engaged in the trades like grocery, cloth, ready-made clothes, medical store, hardware, color, provisional store, cutlery, bakery, stationary, mobile shops, garages etc. Their shops are situated in the stores, shopping centres, malls. Besides, lawyers, chartered accountants, travel agencies, offices of transporters, coaching classes, photo studio, beauty parlour, saloon are providing working for the service sector. These places of business are levied Electricity Duty at the rate of 25 percent at present. I propose to reduce this present rate of Electricity Duty from 25 percent to 20 percent, with a view to give relief to such shop keepers/traders/artisans and all such professionals having offices. This will benefit approximately 30 lakh shop keepers/ traders/ artisans and all such professionals having offices.

As a result of this proposal, the tax revenue of the State will be reduced to the extent of approximately ₹320 crore per annum.

**Conclusion**

The final position of Budget Estimates for the year 2020-21 will be as under:

	(₹ in crore)
(1) Surplus as per Budget Estimates	<b>(+) 605.43</b>
(2) Proposed decrease in Electricity Duty	<b>(-) 330.16</b>
(3) Estimated overall surplus	<b>(+) 275.27</b>

I commend the Budget for the consideration of this August House.

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