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FOREWORD

In keeping with the endeavour of the Government of India to promote transparency and accountability, a Brochure containing the status of implementation of announcements made in the Budget for 2010-2011 has been compiled.

I am happy to place this brochure before the House.

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1.	24	<p>As a part of the fiscal consolidation process, it would be for the first time that the Government would target an explicit reduction in its domestic public debt-GDP ratio. I intend to bring out, within six months, a status paper giving a detailed analysis of the situation and a road map for curtailing the overall public debt. This would be followed by an annual report on the subject.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>A comprehensive paper on Government Debt has been released on November 3, 2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
2.	25	<p>Tax reforms</p> <p>I am happy to inform the Honourable Members that the process for building a simple tax system with minimum exemptions and low rates designed to promote voluntary compliance, is now nearing completion. On the Direct Tax Code the wide-ranging discussions with stakeholders have been concluded. I am confident that the Government will be in a position to implement the Direct Tax Code from April 1, 2011.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]</p>	<p>'Direct Taxes Code, 2010' Bill has been introduced in Lok Sabha on 30.8.2010. It is proposed to implement the Code w.e.f. 1.4.2012.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
3.	26	<p>On Goods and Services Tax, we have been focusing on generating a wide consensus on its design. In November, 2009 the Empowered Committee of the State Finance Ministers placed the first discussion paper on GST in the public domain. The Thirteenth Finance Commission has also made a number of significant recommendations relating to GST, which will contribute to the ongoing discussions. We are actively engaged with the Empowered Committee to finalise the structure of GST as well as the modalities of its expeditious implementation. It will be my earnest endeavour to introduce GST along with the DTC in April, 2011.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]</p>	<p>Centre's willingness to provide compensation to States for any loss because of introduction to Goods and Services Tax has been repeatedly expressed. Draft constitutional amendment bill required for introduction of GST has since been prepared and sent to the Empowered Committee (EC) for their views. Three sub-working groups of officers are working on development of draft CGST and model SGST legislations, finalization of processes to be followed in GST regime and for development of appropriate design of IT infrastructure. An Empowered Group for development of IT Systems for GST regime has also been set up under the Chairmanship of Dr. Nandan Nilekani.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
4.	28	<p>Since then, ownership has been broad based in Oil India Limited, NHPC, NTPC and Rural Electrification Corporation while the process is on for National Mineral Development Corporation and Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam. The Government will raise about Rs.25,000 crore during the current year. Through this process, I propose to raise a higher amount during the year 2010-11. The proceeds will be utilised to</p>	<p>Budget has laid down an estimate of ₹ 40,000 crore from disinvestment proceeds during 2010-11. Initial/Further Public Offerings (IPO/FPOs) of CPSEs such as Satluj Jal Vidut Nigam Ltd., Engineers India Limited, Coal India Limited, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., Manganese Ore India Ltd. and Shipping Corporation of India Ltd. have been completed till December, 2010. Disinvestment proceeds of ₹ 22,144 crore have been realized so far. FPOs of SAIL and ONGC will take place during the period January-March,</p>

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	<p>meet the capital expenditure requirements of social sector schemes for creating new assets.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Disinvestment]</p>	<p>2011. For the year 2010-2011, Budget Provision has been made to utilize the proceeds to meet the capital expenditure requirement of social sector schemes for creating new assets.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Ongoing process</p>
5. 31	<p>Fertilizer Subsidy</p> <p>I had announced the intent of the Government for the fertiliser sector in my Budget Speech of 2009. A Nutrient Based Subsidy policy for the fertiliser sector has since been approved by the Government and will become effective from April 1, 2010. This policy is expected to promote balanced fertilization through new fortified products and focus on extension services by the fertiliser industry. This will lead to an increase in agricultural productivity and consequently better returns for the farmers. Over time, the policy is expected to reduce volatility in the demand for fertiliser subsidy in addition to containing the subsidy bill. Government will ensure that nutrient based fertiliser prices for transition year 2010-11, will remain around MRPs currently prevailing. The new system will move towards direct transfer of subsidies to the farmers.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Fertilizers]</p>	<p>The first phase of Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) Policy for decontrolled Phosphatic and Potassic fertilizers has been introduced w.e.f 1.4.2010 (w.e.f. 1.5.2010 for SSP). The subsidy is being released through fertilizer industry. Feasibility of disbursing subsidy in cash directly to the farmers is under consideration and would be implemented in the second phase.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
6. 32	<p>Petroleum and Diesel pricing policy</p> <p>In the last Budget, the constitution of an Expert Group, to advise the Government on a viable and sustainable system of pricing of petroleum products, was announced. The Group headed by Shri Kirit Parikh has submitted its recommendations to the Government. Decision on these recommendations will be taken by my colleague, the Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, in due course.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Petroleum & Natural Gas]</p>	<p>An Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) was constituted to look into the issues of under-recoveries of Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) in the light of the recommendations made by the Expert Group headed by Shri Kirit Parikh and for taking a final decision on all relevant issues. EGoM in its meeting held on 25.6.2010, took decisions on the pricing of petroleum products, which have been implemented w.e.f. the midnight of 25/26.06.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
7. 36	<p>Government also intends to make the FDI policy user-friendly by consolidating all prior regulations and guidelines into one comprehensive document. This would enhance clarity and predictability of our FDI policy to foreign investors.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>A comprehensive exercise had been undertaken to integrate all prior policy issues on Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) contained in FEMA 1999, Reserve Bank of India Circulars and various Press Notes etc. into one consolidated document so as to reflect the current policy framework on FDI. Consolidated FDI Policy Document has been released on 31.3.2010 which is effective from 01.04.2010. The document was further updated and released on 30.9.2010, to be effective from 1.10.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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8. 37	<p>Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC)</p> <p>The financial crisis of 2008-09 has fundamentally changed the structure of banking and financial markets the world over. With a view to strengthen and institutionalise the mechanism for maintaining financial stability, Government has decided to setup an apex-level Financial Stability and Development Council. Without prejudice to the autonomy of regulators, this Council would monitor macro prudential supervision of the economy, including the functioning of large financial conglomerates, and address inter-regulatory coordination issues. It will also focus on financial literacy and financial inclusion.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC) has been set up on 30.12.2010 under the chairmanship of Finance Minister. The Members of the Council include heads of the financial sector regulatory organizations. The Council will monitor macro prudential supervision of the economy, including the functioning of large financial conglomerates, and address inter-regulatory coordination issues. It will also focus on financial literacy and financial inclusion.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
9. 38	<p>Banking Licenses</p> <p>The Indian banking system has emerged unscathed from the crisis. We need to ensure that the banking system grows in size and sophistication to meet the needs of a modern economy. Besides, there is a need to extend the geographic coverage of banks and improve access to banking services. In this context, I am happy to inform the Hon'ble Members that the RBI is considering giving some additional banking licenses to private sector players. Non Banking Financial Companies could also be considered, if they meet the RBI's eligibility criteria.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>Pursuant to the Budget Announcement 2010, RBI had released Discussion Paper on "Entry of New Banks in the Private Sector". Based on the comments and suggestions received from various quarters and discussions held with major stakeholders in October, 2010, RBI is expected to put draft guidelines in public domain by end of January, 2011 for public comments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
10. 39	<p>Public Sector Bank Capitalisation</p> <p>During 2008-09, the Government infused Rs.1900 crore as Tier-I capital in four public sector banks to maintain a comfortable level of Capital to Risk Weighted Asset Ratio. An additional sum of Rs.1200 crore is being infused now. For the year 2010-11, I propose to provide a sum of Rs.16,500 crore to ensure that the Public Sector Banks are able to attain a minimum 8 per cent Tier-I capital by March 31, 2011.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>The Government has infused ₹ 1500 crore in 4 Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in May, 2010. Besides, approval has been granted for infusion of ₹ 6211 crore in 5 PSBs. As part of this, ₹ 1076 crore has been infused in 3 PSBs through the Perpetual Non-Cumulative Preference Shares (PNCPS); ₹ 3119 crore has been infused in IDBI Bank by way of preferential equity and approval has been granted for ₹ 2016 crore to be invested in Central Bank of India through rights issues, which is yet to come.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Ongoing programme</p>
11. 40	<p>Recapitalisation of Regional Rural Banks</p> <p>Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) play an important role in providing credit to rural economy. The capital of these banks is shared by the Central Government, sponsor banks and State</p>	<p>Government has constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. K.C Chakarbarty, Dy. Governor, RBI to look into the aspects of the Capital to Risk Assets Ratio (CRAR) of RRBs and to suggest measures to bring the</p>

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	<p>Governments. The banks were last capitalised in 2006-07. I propose to provide further capital to strengthen the RRBs so that they have adequate capital base to support increased lending to the rural economy.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>CRAR of RRBs to at least 7% in time-bound manner and 9% by March, 2012. The recommendations of the Committee have been received. Cabinet Note for obtaining the approval of CCEA is under process.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
12. 42	<p>Exports</p> <p>Government has provided interest subvention of 2 per cent on pre-shipment export credit up to March 31, 2010 for exports in certain sectors. I propose to extend the interest subvention of 2 per cent for one more year for exports covering handicrafts, carpets, handlooms and small and medium enterprises.</p> <p>[Nodal Departments: D/o Financial Services D/o Commerce]</p>	<p>Government has extended the scheme w.e.f. April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011 on pre and post shipment rupee credit to employment oriented sectors viz. Handicrafts; Carpets; Handlooms; Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) and to certain additional sectors/sub-sectors.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
44	<p>Agriculture Growth</p> <p>The agriculture sector occupies centre-stage in our resolve to promote inclusive growth, enhance rural incomes and sustain food security. To spur the growth in this sector, the Government intends to follow a <i>four-pronged strategy</i> covering (a) agricultural production; (b) reduction in wastage of produce; (c) credit support to farmers; and (d) a thrust to the food processing sector.</p>	(May be read with para Nos. 45 to 50.)
13. 45	<p>The <i>first element</i> of the strategy is to extend the green revolution to the eastern region of the country comprising Bihar, Chattisgarh, Jharkhand, Eastern UP, West Bengal and Orissa, with the active involvement of Gram Sabhas and the farming families. For the year 2010-11, I propose to provide Rs.400 crore for this initiative.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>For extending Green Revolution in Eastern India, ₹ 294.19 crore have been released by the end of December, 2010. ₹ 35.00 crore for Assam is to be met from overall allocation of ₹ 6755.00 crore. Implementation of the programme at field level is in progress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
14. 46	<p>In the 60th year of the Republic, it is proposed to organize 60,000 "pulses and oil seed villages" in rain-fed areas during 2010-11 and provide an integrated intervention for water harvesting, watershed management and soil health, to enhance the productivity of the dry land farming areas. I propose to provide Rs.300 crore for this purpose. This initiative will be an integral part of the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>As against of allocation of ₹ 300 crore, amount of ₹ 238.5 crore has been released to the States till the end of December, 2010.</p> <p>Procurement of machineries is in progress. Inputs under the programme are positioned.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>

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15. 47	<p>The gains already made in the green revolution areas have to be sustained through conservation farming, which involves concurrent attention to soil health, water conservation and preservation of biodiversity. I propose an allocation of Rs.200 crore for launching this climate resilient agriculture initiative.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Agricultural Research & Education]</p>	<p>The Department has already issued the administrative approval and financial sanction for implementation of national initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture at an outlay of ₹ 350 crore in the 11th Plan on 06.01.2011 and 12.01.2011 respectively.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
16. 48	<p>The <i>second element</i> of the strategy relates to reduction of significant wastages in storage as well as in the operations of the existing food supply chains in the country. This needs to be addressed. As the Prime Minister has said recently, “<i>We need greater competition and therefore need to take a firm view on opening up of the retail trade.</i>” It will help in bringing down the considerable difference between the farm gate prices, wholesale prices and retail prices.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministries/Departments: D/o Consumer Affairs D/o Agriculture & Cooperation D/o Industrial Policy & Promotion D/o Food & Public Distribution M/o Food Processing Industries]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Working Group constituted under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister of Gujrat for <i>inter-alia</i> reducing the gap between farm gate and retail prices and better implementation and amendment to Essential Commodities Act is under finalization. • A Capital Investment Back-ended Subsidy Scheme namely Rural Godown Scheme has been launched. Since inception of the scheme, 22938 godowns with the capacity of 27.3 million ton and financial release of ₹ 671 crore have been sanctioned up to 30.11.2010. • The Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion has uploaded a discussion paper on their website on “Foreign Direct Investment in Multi-Brand Retail Trading” inviting comments from stakeholders. • A number of steps like security and safety of storage complexes, inspections, quality control measures, preventive measures and monitoring of losses and safeguards for movement and storage etc. have been taken by FCI to reduce the storage and transit losses in food grains. A scheme for construction of godowns for FCI as well as State Undertakings has been formulated and construction of godowns is at various stages. • Under the scheme for setting up of Mega Food Parks, 10 parks are under various stages and 5 more parks are to be set up. Approval has been obtained for upscaling Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure Scheme. Ministry is in the process of approval of new projects to the extent of 11th Plan allocation of ₹ 210 crore. <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
17. 49	<p>There is wastage of grain procured for buffer stocks and public distribution system due to acute shortage of storage capacity in the Food Corporation of India. This deficit in the storage capacity is met through an ongoing scheme for private sector participation where the FCI has been hiring godowns from private parties for a guaranteed period of 5 years. This period is now being extended to 7 years.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Food & Public Distribution]</p>	<p>The scheme for creation of storage capacity for FCI through private entrepreneurs has been modified to make it more attractive. The guarantee period of 5 years has since been extended to 7 year for creation of new storage facilities.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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18. 50	<p>The <i>third element</i> of the strategy relates to improving the availability of credit to farmers. I am happy to inform the Honourable Members that banks have been consistently meeting the targets set for agriculture credit flow in the past few years. For the year 2010-11, the target has been raised to Rs.3,75,000 crore from Rs.3,25,000 crore in the current year.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>Instructions have been issued to NABARD on 16.4.2010 in this regard. Progress in achievement of targets is being monitored. The total credit flow to agriculture during 2010-11, up to 31.10.2010, by Commercial Banks, Cooperative Banks and Regional Rural Banks, is ₹ 2,28,884 crore forming 60.50% of the annual target of ₹ 3,75,000 crore. Progress is being monitored.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
19. 51	<p>The <i>Debt Waiver and Debt Relief Scheme for Farmers</i> was a major initiative of the UPA Government. In view of the recent drought in some States and the severe floods in some other parts of the country, I propose to extend by six months the period for repayment of the loan amount by farmers from December 31, 2009 to June 30, 2010.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>Instructions issued to RBI/ NABARD/PSBs with copy to CMDs of PSBs on 26.3.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
20. 52	<p>In the last budget, I had provided an additional one per cent interest subvention as an incentive to those farmers who repay their short-term crop loans as per schedule. I propose to raise this subvention for timely repayment of crop loans from one per cent to two per cent for 2010-11. Thus, the effective rate of interest for such farmers will now be five per cent per annum. Necessary provision in the Budget has been made.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>The proposal has been approved by the Cabinet on 30.7.2010. Instructions issued to RBI and NABARD on 19.8.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
21. 53	<p>The <i>fourth element</i> of the strategy aims at lending a further impetus to the development of food processing sector by providing state-of-the art infrastructure. In addition to the ten mega food park projects already being set up, the Government has decided to set up five more such parks.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Food Processing Industries]</p>	<p>The CCEA in its meeting held on 18.11.2010 has approved setting up of 5 new Mega Food Parks Projects. In pursuance of the approval, a notice inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) from the prospective entrepreneurs for submission of the proposals by 10.02.2011 has been issued.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
22. 54.	<p>As a part of the farm to market initiative, External Commercial Borrowings will henceforth be available for cold storage or cold room facility, including for farm level pre-cooling, for preservation or storage of agricultural and allied produce, marine products and meat. Changes in the definition of infrastructure under the ECB policy are being made.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Circular changing the definition of infrastructure under the ECB Policy has been issued by the RBI on 02.03.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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23. 56.	<p>To make a visible impact in the road sector, Government has targeted construction of national highways (NHs) at the pace of 20 km per day. To push the pace of implementation, changes have been made in the policy framework, especially in respect of projects being executed through public private partnerships (PPPs). For the year 2010-11, I propose to raise the allocation of road transport by over 13 per cent from Rs.17,520 crore to Rs.19,894 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Department : D/o Road Transport & Highways]</p>	<p>During 2010-2011 as against a target of 2500 km of National Highways, the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has completed construction of 1156 km (by December, 2010) i.e. 4.28 km per day. To meet the target of construction at an average rate 20 km per day i.e. almost 7,000 km per year, it is essential that at any given point of time, there should be almost three times this length, i.e. approximately 20,000 km, awarded and under construction. To achieve this, Work Plan-I & II have been framed covering about 24,000 km of National Highways and the award of the projects. Besides, upto November, 2010, construction of 1292.5 km i.e. 5.39 km/day of National Highways through State PWDs has been completed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in Progress</p>
24. 59	<p>India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited</p> <p>Government established the India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited (IIFCL) to provide long term financial assistance to infrastructure projects. Its disbursements are expected to touch Rs.9,000 crore by end March 2010 and reach around Rs.20,000 crore by March 2011. IIFCL has also been authorised to refinance bank lending to infrastructure projects. It has refinanced Rs.3,000 crore during the current year and is expected to more than double that amount in 2010-11. The take-out financing scheme announced in the last Budget is expected to initially provide finance for about Rs.25,000 crore in the next three years.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>IIFCL has made a cumulative disbursement of ₹ 9976 crore as at the end of 31st March 2010, including ₹ 1500 crore through refinance, while ₹ 1500 crore has been utilized for disbursements. Thus, ₹ 3000 crore out of ₹ 10,000 crore raised through tax-free bonds for providing refinance has been utilized. The company is taking steps to meet the cumulative disbursement target of around ₹ 20,000 crore by March 2011, including refinance. The takeout finance has been rolled out by IIFCL w.e.f. 16.4.2010. IIFCL has signed takeout agreements with Union Bank of India for an amount of ₹ 1500 crore and has signed MoUs with 4 PSBs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
25. 61	<p>Coal is the mainstay of India's energy sector and 75 per cent of the power generation is currently coal based. It is proposed to introduce a competitive bidding process for allocating coal blocks for captive mining to ensure greater transparency and increased participation in production from these blocks.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Coal]</p>	<p>The Mines and Mineral (Development & Regulation) Amendment Act, 2010 has been notified on 9.9.2010. Action has been initiated for formulation of Rules and Guidelines.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
26. 62	<p>Government proposes to take steps to set up a "Coal Regulatory Authority" to create a level playing field in the coal sector. This would facilitate resolution of issues like economic pricing of coal and benchmarking of standards of performance.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Coal]</p>	<p>A draft Cabinet Note on setting up of a Coal Regulatory Authority along with the Draft Bill has been circulated to various Ministries/Departments for their comments. The comments and suggestions received are being examined for incorporation in the Draft Bill before obtaining the approval of the competent authority.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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27.	64	<p>The Ladakh region of Jammu and Kashmir faces an extremely harsh climate and suffers from energy deficiency. To address this problem, it is proposed to set up solar, small hydro and micro power projects at a cost of about Rs.500 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o New & Renewable Energy]</p>	<p>The Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure (CCI) has approved implementing a project on "Ladakh Renewable Energy Initiative" at a total cost of ₹ 473 crore in a period of three and a half years starting from June, 2010. The implementation has started from 1.6.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
28.	67	<p>Effluent Treatment Plant, Tirupur</p> <p>The textile cluster for knitwear in Tirupur in Tamil Nadu is a major contributor to the country's hosiery exports. I propose to provide a one-time grant of Rs.200 crore to the Government of Tamil Nadu towards the cost of installation of a zero liquid discharge system at Tirupur to sustain this industry, which provides livelihood to lakhs of persons, without undermining the environment.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Textiles]</p>	<p>1st Installment of ₹ 100 crore has since been transferred as Additional Central Assistance to Government of Tamil Nadu. The 2nd installment of remaining ₹ 100 crore is likely to be released in the current financial year itself.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
29.	68	<p>Special Golden Jubilee Package for Goa</p> <p>I propose to provide a sum of Rs.200 crore as a Special Golden Jubilee package for Goa to preserve the natural resources of the State by restoring Goa's beaches which are prone to erosion, and increasing its green cover through sustainable forestry.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Expenditure]</p>	<p>A sum of ₹ 200 crore has been allocated to Goa as one-time Additional Central Assistance in the Annual- Plan of Goa 2010-11 as Special Golden Jubilee Package. On the recommendations of Planning Commission, ₹ 70 crore has been released on 19.1.2011.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
30.	70	<p>I am happy to inform the Honourable Members that schemes on bank protection works along river Bhagirathi and river Ganga-Padma in parts of Murshidabad and Nadia district of West Bengal have been included in the Centrally Sponsored Flood Management Programme. I also propose to provide budgetary support for drainage scheme of Kaliaghai-Kapaleswari Baghai basin in the district of Purba and Paschim Midnapore, and Master Plan of Kandi sub-division in Murshidabad, West Bengal.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry : M/o Water Resources]</p>	<p>Two Schemes out of four for 'Bank Protection Works' along the banks of rivers Bhagirathi and Ganga and one drainage scheme of Kaliaghai-Kapaleswari Baghai basin have been approved by the Empowered Committee on Flood Management Programme (FMP) at a total cost of ₹ 377 crore and is being provided central assistance under FMP. Another scheme for Master Plan of Kandi sub-division has been cleared by the State Technical Committee of West Bengal Flood Control Board and is awaiting further mandatory clearances. After receiving all the mandatory clearances, this will be placed for the consideration of Empowered Committee for providing Central Assistance under FMP.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
31.	71	<p>Recognising the need for developing an alternate port facility in West Bengal, it is proposed to develop a project at Sagar Island. Necessary funds will be provided in due course.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Shipping]</p>	<p>Kolkata Port Trust (KOPT) have nominated RITES as a consultant for carrying out the detailed feasibility study for the project. The Terms of Reference have been finalised. It will be a comprehensive study including the proposed 4.5 km rail-cum-road bridge on SPV/PPP mode. RITES have since initiated the Study.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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32. 72	<p>INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>For the UPA Government, inclusive development is an act of faith. In the last five years, our Government has created entitlements backed by legal guarantees for an individual's right to information and her right to work. This has been followed-up with the enactment of the right to education in 2009-10. As the next step, we are now ready with the draft Food Security Bill which will be placed in the public domain very soon. To fulfill these commitments the spending on social sector has been gradually increased to Rs.1,37,674 crore which now stands at 37 per cent of the total plan outlay in 2010-11. Another 25 per cent of the plan allocations are devoted to the development of rural infrastructure. With growth and the opportunities that it generates, we hope to further strengthen the process of inclusive development.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Food & Public Distribution]</p>	<p>As per decision of the Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM), the proposed National Food Security Bill (NFSB) was discussed in the National Advisory Council (NAC), which has finalized the details of the basic framework of the Bill. NAC has recommended phased implementation in view of the availability of food grains. These recommendations are being examined by an Expert Committee (EC) constituted under the Chairmanship of Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to PM. The EC has submitted its recommendations, which have been sent to the concerned Ministries/Departments for their consideration and response. NAC is also preparing draft NFSB.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
33. 74	<p>Health</p> <p>An Annual Health Survey to prepare the District Health Profile of all Districts shall be conducted in 2010-11. The findings of the Survey should be of immense benefit to major public health initiatives particularly the National Rural Health Mission, which has successfully addressed the gaps in the delivery of critical health services in rural areas.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Health & Family Welfare]</p>	<p>The Annual Health Survey (AHS) is being carried out in 284 districts of 8 erstwhile Empowered Action Group (EAG) States and Assam under the supervision of the O/o Registrar General and Census Commissioner. Fieldwork for the survey is in progress in all the 9 States. Fieldwork survey has been completed in 248 districts and is in progress in 36 Districts.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
34. 76	<p>Financial Inclusion</p> <p>To reach the benefits of banking services to the 'Aam Aadmi', the Reserve Bank of India had set up a High Level Committee on the Lead Bank Scheme. After careful assessment of the recommendations of this Committee, and in further consultation with the RBI, it has been decided to provide appropriate Banking facilities to habitations having population in excess of 2000 by March, 2012. It is also proposed to extend insurance and other services to the targeted beneficiaries. These services will be provided using the Business Correspondent and other models with appropriate technology back up. By this arrangement, it is proposed to cover 60,000 habitations.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>The Banks have formulated a roadmap for financial inclusion and have identified 73,000 (approx.) habitations with population of over 2000 for providing banking facilities. This is estimated to cover approx. 5 crore rural population. Efforts are being made to ensure that Banks enroll the business correspondence in adequate numbers and provide them training. Banks have been directed to sensitize the rural Branch Managers to take up this campaign on priority. 20,000 villages are expected to be covered by 31.3.2011. Progress is being monitored.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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35. 77	<p>Financial Inclusion Fund (FIF) and the Financial Inclusion Technology Fund In 2007-08 the Government had set up a Financial Inclusion Fund and a Financial Inclusion Technology Fund in NABARD, to reach banking services to the unbanked areas. To give momentum to the pace of financial inclusion, I propose an augmentation of Rs.100 crore for each of these funds, which shall be contributed by Government of India, RBI and NABARD.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>The progress of disbursements under the Fund is being monitored regularly.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
36. 83	<p>While presenting the Union Budget for the year 2009-10, I had announced a Scheme of one per cent interest subvention on housing loans up to Rs.10 lakhs where the cost of the house does not exceed Rs.20 lakhs. I propose to extend this Scheme up to March 31, 2011. Accordingly, I propose to provide a sum of Rs.700 crore for this Scheme for the year 2010-11.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>The Scheme of 1% interest subvention on housing loan upto ₹ 10 lakhs has been extended. RBI has issued necessary detailed guidelines to all Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs), including Regional Rural Banks which are SCBs, to implement the Scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
37. 84	<p>The <i>Rajiv Awas Yojana</i> (RAY) for slum dwellers and urban poor was announced last year to extend support to States that are willing to provide property rights to slum dwellers. This scheme is now ready to take off. I propose to allocate Rs.1,270 crore for 2010-11 as compared to Rs.150 crore last year. This marks an increase of over 700 per cent. The Government's efforts in the implementation of RAY would be to encourage the States to create a slum free India at the earliest.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation]</p>	<p>The parameters of the proposed Scheme have been formulated and the same, along with observations of the Planning Commission thereon, have been considered by the Expenditure Finance Committee and the draft Cabinet Note has been circulated for inter-ministerial consultation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
38. 85.	<p>Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) contribute 8 per cent of the country's GDP, 45 per cent of the manufactured output and 40 per cent of our exports. They provide employment to about 6 crore persons through 2.6 crore enterprises. To resolve a number of issues which affect the growth of this sector, Prime Minister constituted a High-Level Task Force which held detailed discussions with all stake holders and drew up an agenda for action. A High Level Council on Micro and Small Enterprises will monitor the implementation of the recommendations and the agenda for action. I propose to raise the allocation for this</p>	<p>The Council on MSME under the chairmanship of Hon'ble PM has been constituted on 7.4.2010. Besides, a Steering Group has been constituted on 30.3.2010 under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary to PM for ensuring timely/speedy implementation of the recommendations of the Task Force on MSMEs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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	sector from Rs.1,794 crore to Rs.2,400 crore for the year 2010-11.	
	[Nodal Ministry: M/o Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises]	
39. 87	<p>Micro Finance</p> <p>The programme for linking Self Help Groups (SHGs) with the banking system has emerged as the major micro-finance initiative in the country. It was re-designated as the 'Micro-Finance Development and Equity Fund' in 2005-06 with a corpus of Rs.200 crore. The fund corpus is being doubled to Rs.400 crore in 2010-11.</p>	The progress of disbursements under the Fund is being monitored regularly.
	[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]	Work in progress
40. 88	<p>Unorganized Sector</p> <p>National Social Security Fund for unorganized sector workers</p> <p>Recognizing the need for providing social security to the workers in the unorganized sector, and as a follow up to the Unorganized Sector Workers Social Security Act, 2008, it has been decided to set up a National Social Security Fund for unorganized sector workers with an initial allocation of Rs.1,000 crore. This fund will support schemes for weavers, toddy tappers, rickshaw pullers, bidi workers etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note for Cabinet for constitution and operation of National Social Security Fund for unorganized workers is under preparation. Three Task Forces have been set up for suggesting schemes for social security to rickshaw pullers etc., toddy tappers and bidi workers and pension/provident fund for unorganized workers. Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) has since been extended to street vendors. Financial approval for grant of ₹ 100 crore from National Social Security Fund to implement the Old Age Pension Scheme for Handloom weavers above 60 years in collaboration with PFRDA is awaited.
	[Nodal Ministries: M/o Labour & Employment M/o Textiles]	Work in progress
41. 89	<p>The Government had launched <i>Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana</i> on October 1, 2007 to provide health insurance cover to below poverty line workers and their families. It became operational on April 1, 2008 and so far more than 1 crore smart cards have been issued under this scheme. In view of the success of the scheme, it is now proposed to extend its benefits to all such Mahatma Gandhi NREGA beneficiaries who have worked for more than 15 days during the preceding financial year.</p>	<p>A draft Cabinet note to extend the RSBY to Mahatma Gandhi NREGA beneficiaries has been circulated to the concerned Ministries/Departments for their comments. In view of divergent views of Ministries/Departments on the issue of setting of National Social Security Society, the matter was referred to Committee of Secretaries. The CoS agreed to the proposal relating to extension of RSBY to MNREGA beneficiaries. However, on the issue of National Social Security Society, it was agreed that instead of a Society, a proper structure be created within the Ministry with proper delegation of power on the lines of NACO. A draft Cabinet note has been circulated to concerned Ministries/Departments for their views/comments.</p>
	[Nodal Ministry: M/o Labour & Employment]	Work in progress
42. 90	<p>To encourage the people from the unorganised sector to voluntarily save for their retirement and to lower the cost of operations of the New Pension Scheme (NPS) for such subscribers, Government will contribute Rs.1,000 per year to each NPS account opened in the year 2010-11. This initiative,</p>	<p>The <i>Swavalamban</i> Scheme has been launched on 26.09.2010 to provide funding support of ₹ 1,000 crore over a period of four years i.e upto 2013-14 as co-contribution to subscribers of the New Pension System, who are covered by the <i>Swavalamban</i> initiative and to incur expenditure and/or to provide funding support to the PFRDA</p>

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	<p>“Swavalamban” will be available for persons who join NPS, with a minimum contribution of Rs.1,000 and a maximum contribution of Rs.12,000 per annum during the financial year 2010-11. The scheme will be available for another three years. Accordingly, I am making an allocation of Rs.100 crore for the year 2010-11. It will benefit about 10 lakh NPS subscribers of the unorganised sector. The scheme will be managed by the interim Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>of around ₹ 100 crore for the promotion and developmental activities for enrolment and contribution collection. A provision of ₹ 110 crore has been made during 2010-11. Up to 07.01.2011, 14,369 subscribers have been registered under the Scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Ongoing programme</p>
43. 92.	<p>Skill development</p> <p>Prime Minister’s Council on National Skill Development has laid down the core governing principles for operating strategies for skill development. The Council has a mission of creating 50 crore skilled people by 2022. Of these, the target for the National Skill Development Corporation, which has started functioning from October, 2009, is 15 crore. It has completed a comprehensive skill gap study of 21 high growth sectors and approved three projects worth about Rs.45 crore to create 10 lakh skilled manpower at the rate of one lakh per annum. Other projects are in advanced stages of consideration.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has so far approved 22 projects. This will result into creation of 38.59 million of skilled workforce over a period of 10 years. The contribution of NSDC in the form of equity/loan/grant for the 22 projects is ₹ 607.56 crore. Out of the 22 projects, 2 projects had been approved during 2009-10 with a total contribution of ₹ 35.68 crore from NSDC mandated to create a skilled workforce of 1.018 million over 10 years and the rest have been approved during 2010-11.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Ongoing process</p>
44. 93	<p>It is proposed to launch an extensive skill development programme in the textile and garment sector by leveraging the strength of existing institutions and instruments of the Textile Ministry. The resources of the private sector will also be harnessed by incentivising training through an outcome - based approach. Through these instruments, the Ministry of Textiles has set an ambitious target of training 30 lakh persons over 5 years.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Textiles]</p>	<p>Integrated Skill Development Scheme for the Textile Sector has since been launched.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
45. 94	<p>Social Welfare</p> <p>I propose to step up the plan outlay for Women and Child Development by almost 50 per cent. Several new initiatives that were launched in 2009-10 are now ready for implementation. A mission for empowerment of women is being set up. The ICDS platform is being expanded for effective implementation of the Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Adolescent Girls.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Women & Child Development]</p>	<p>National Mission for Empowerment of Women has been set up and made operational w.e.f. 8.3.2010. Subsequently, Chief Ministers of 2 States and 5 civil society members have been nominated. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG-SABLA) for implementation in 200 selected districts using the ICDS Platform.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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46. 96	<p>A <i>Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana</i> to meet the specific needs of women farmers is being launched. I have provided Rs.100 crore for this initiative as a sub-component of the National Rural Livelihood Mission.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Rural Development]</p>	<p>The Guidelines of Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) have been finalized and sent to the States for operationalisation by the States.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
47. 97	<p>I am happy to inform the Honourable Members that I propose to enhance the plan outlay of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to Rs.4500 crore. This amounts to an increase of 80 per cent as compared to 2009-10. This will support the programmes being implemented for the target population groups covering the Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, persons with disabilities, senior citizens and victims of alcoholism and substance abuse. With this enhancement, the Ministry will be able to revise rates of scholarship under its post-matric scholarship schemes for SCs and OBC students, which is long overdue.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Social Justice & Empowerment]</p>	<p>The Scheme for Post-Matric Scholarships to SC students has been revised with the approval of CCEA and informed to the States. For revision of the Post –Matric Scholarship for OBC students, draft CCEA Note is being finalized.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
48. 98	<p>The allocation will also assist in establishing an Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre for the benefit of the hearing impaired. District Disability Rehabilitation Centres are being set up in 50 additional districts along with two composite regional centres for persons with disabilities.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Social Justice & Empowerment]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Note for consideration of Standing Finance Committee regarding establishment of an Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre has been circulated to all concerned. • For setting up 50 new District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) during the current year, 15 DDRCs have been approved. The rest are being processed. • For establishment of two Composite Regional Centres (CRCs) for persons with disabilities in Kozhikode (Kerala) and Ahmadabad (Gujarat), draft Standing Finance Committee Memo is being finalized. <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
49. 99	<p>I also propose to raise the plan allocation for the Ministry of Minority Affairs from Rs.1,740 crore to Rs.2,600 crore for the year 2010-11. This marks an increase of nearly 50 per cent. I am happy to inform the Honourable Members that we are close to achieving the target of 15 per cent priority sector lending to minorities in the current year. This will be maintained for the next three years.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Financial Services]</p>	<p>Necessary instructions have been issued to the Public Sector Banks in the matter.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
50. 101	<p>Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission</p> <p>Most of our legislations governing the financial sector are very old. Large number of amendments to these Acts made at different</p>	<p>A concept paper was circulated to Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Department of Financial Services, Department of Consumer Affairs, RBI, SEBI, PFRDA and IRDA for their</p>

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	<p>points of time has also increased ambiguity and complexity. The Government proposes to set up a Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission to rewrite and clean up the financial sector laws to bring them in line with the requirements of the sector.</p>	<p>feedback. Based on feedback received, the draft Terms of Reference have been prepared. Action is underway to constitute the Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
	<p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	
51. 102	<p>Administrative Reforms Commission The Administrative Reforms Commission constituted by the UPA Government in its first term has submitted 15 reports, of which 10 reports have been examined by the Government. Out of the 800 identified recommendations for implementation so far, 350 recommendations have been implemented and 450 are under implementation.</p>	<p>The Core Group on Administrative Reforms (CGAR) has considered all the 15 Reports submitted by the 2nd ARC. Out of these, the Group of Ministers (GoM) has considered 12 reports. The decisions of GoM on these reports are at various stages of implementation. Out of total 1215 recommendations in the twelve reports, 978 recommendations have been accepted, 172 not accepted, 5 deferred and 18 referred to other fora. Out of 978 recommendations, action has been taken on 430 and action on the remaining 548 recommendations is under implementation. Action on 23 recommendations relating to Report No.8 (Combating Terrorism) is being taken up by Ministry of Home Affairs.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
	<p>[Nodal Department: D/o Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances]</p>	
52. 103	<p>Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) In my last Budget Speech, I had announced the constitution of the Unique Identification Authority of India, its broad working principles and the timelines for delivery of the first UID numbers. I am happy to report that the Authority has been constituted and it will be able to meet its commitments of issuing the first set of UID numbers in the coming year. It would provide an effective platform for financial inclusion and targeted subsidy payments. Since the UIDAI will now get into the operational phase, I am allocating Rs.1,900 crore to the Authority for 2010-11.</p>	<p>The UIDAI has created necessary technological infrastructure like setting up of a Data Centre, procuring necessary software and hardware, engaging of application and software development agency and biometric solution providers etc. Support infrastructure has also been created by entering into an MoU with India Post for providing the logistic support of printing and delivering of Aadhaar letters; establishing a Contact Centre for serving as a helpline for residents and others in the ecosystem for redressal of grievances; appointing training, testing and certifying agencies. Enrolments are being carried out by 12 Registrars, through enrolment agencies, in 9 States/Union Territories—Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Tripura, Delhi, Maharashtra and West Bengal.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Planning Commission]</p>	
53. 104.	<p>Technology Advisory Group for Unique Projects (TAGUP) An effective tax administration and financial governance system calls for creation of IT projects which are reliable, secure and efficient. IT projects like Tax Information Network, New Pension Scheme, National Treasury Management Agency, Expenditure Information Network, Goods and Service Tax, are in different stages of roll out. To look into various technological and systemic issues, I propose to set up a Technology Advisory Group for</p>	<p>Technology Advisory Group for Unique Projects (TAGUP) has been constituted and the Terms of Reference (TOR) has been issued. The Group has been tasked to address and make appropriate recommendations on various issues related to the effective implementation of the projects viz. TIN, NPS, NTMA, EIN and GST including human resources, legal, regulatory and security issues, technology design and architecture, contractual requirement, monitoring system, dispute settlement framework etc.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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	<p>Unique Projects under the Chairmanship of Shri Nandan Nilekani.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	
54. 105	<p>Independent Evaluation Office (IEO)</p> <p>The Government had announced the setting-up of an Independent Evaluation Office to undertake impartial and objective assessments of the various public programmes and improve the effectiveness of the public interventions. It has been decided that it would be an independent entity under a Governing board chaired by the Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission. The IEO would evaluate the impact of flagship programmes and place the findings in the public domain. It would be funded by the Planning Commission.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Planning Commission]</p>	<p>The Cabinet approval has been obtained for the establishment of Independent Evaluation Office (IEO). The process of physical establishment of the IEO is in progress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
55. 106.	<p>Symbol for Indian Rupee</p> <p>In the ensuing year, we intend to formalise a symbol for the Indian Rupee, which reflects and captures the Indian ethos and culture. With this, Indian Rupee will join the select club of currencies such as the US Dollar, British Pound Sterling, Euro and Japanese Yen that have a clear distinguishing identity.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Cabinet Committee has approved the Symbol for Indian Rupee. The process to include the symbol in the Indian Script Code for Information Interchange has been initiated by the Bureaus of Indian Standards.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
56. 109	<p>There was decline in violence in Jammu and Kashmir in the year 2009. We have taken a number of confidence building measures. As one more such measure, Government proposes to recruit about 2,000 youth as constables in five Central Para Military Forces in the year 2010.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry: M/o Home Affairs]</p>	<p>2309 youth have been recruited from the State of Jammu and Kashmir during the year 2010 in various Central Para Military Forces. The number of vacancies has also been raised to 2062 from 2042.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
57. 110	<p>To address the development problems of the thirty three left wing extremism affected districts, a Task Force headed by the Cabinet Secretary was formed for promoting coordinated efforts across a range of development and security measures. It has been decided that Planning Commission will prepare an integrated action plan for the affected areas. Adequate funds will be made available to support the action plan. I</p>	<p>Integrated Action Plan for 60 Tribal and Backward Districts has been approved with a block grant of ₹ 25 crore and ₹ 30 crore per district for 2010-11 and 2011-12, respectively for which the funds are to be placed at the disposal of the District Level Committees headed by the District Collector and Members consisting of the Superintendent of Police of the District and the District Forest Officer. The implementation of the scheme has commenced and the allocation of ₹ 25 crore per district for 2010-11 has since been released.</p>

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	<p>appeal to the misguided elements to eschew violence and join the development process.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Planning Commission]</p>	<p>Meetings/video conferences are being held with the State Governments/District Collectors under the chairpersonship of Member Secretary, Planning Commission to review the progress of the Integrated Action Plan.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
58. 111	<p>National Mission for Delivery of Justice and Legal Reforms</p> <p>To provide timely delivery of justice to all, the Government has approved the setting up of the National Mission for Delivery of Justice and Legal Reforms. The objective of the mission is to help reduce legal backlog in courts from an average of 15 years at present to 3 years by 2012. It would also help in improving the legal environment for business. The Thirteenth Finance Commission has provided grants amounting to Rs.5,000 crore for the States to improve the delivery of justice, including strengthening of alternate dispute resolution mechanisms.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Justice]</p>	<p>Draft Cabinet Note is being finalized for setting up of the National Mission for delivery of Justice and Legal Reforms and Special Purpose Vehicle.</p> <p>As regards improving the delivery of justice system, ₹ 1000 crore has already been released to the States. Efforts are being made to release second part of the first installment of the grants. All the State Governments and High Courts have been requested to provide the status relating to State Litigation Policy, five Year Perspective Plan and Action Plan for each Financial year, etc. urgently to facilitate release of second installment. Operative guidelines for 'Legal Aid', 'Training of Judicial Officers' and 'Strengthening of State Judicial Academies' have been issued.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
59. 119	<p>We have continued on the path of computerization in core areas of service delivery in the administration of direct taxes. This will reduce the physical interface between taxpayers and tax administration and speed up procedures and processes. The Centralised Processing Centre at Bengaluru is now fully functional and is processing around 20,000 returns daily. This initiative will be taken forward by setting up two more Centres during the year.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]</p>	<p>For setting up 2 more CPCs at Pune and Manesar, approval has been obtained for appointment of Projects Architect. Tendering process for selection of space has also been completed. Technical Evaluation Committee has been appointed for evaluation of main S.I. vendor bids. Preparation of RFP for main S.I. vendor is in progress.</p> <p>Action partially completed</p>
60. 120	<p>As a part of Government's initiative to move towards citizen centric governance, the income tax department has introduced "Sevottam", a pilot project at Pune, Kochi and Chandigarh through Aayakar Seva Kendras. These provide a single window system for registration of all applications including those for redressal of grievances as well as paper returns. This year the scheme will be extended to four more cities.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]</p>	<p>The Aayakar Seva Kendra (ASK) at Hooghly has since become functional. The ASKs at Gandhinagar, Udaipur, Chandigarh, Ludhiana, Mohali, Kolkata, Guwahati, Bhubaneshwar, Indore, Coimbatore and Ranchi will become functional by 31.03.2011.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
61. 122.	<p>I mentioned last year, that the income tax return forms should be simple and user friendly. The income tax department is now ready to notify SARAL-II form for individual salaried taxpayers for the coming assessment year. This form will</p>	<p>SARAL-II (ITR-1) has been notified by the CBDT vide Income Tax (3rd Amendment) Rules, 2010 dated 23.04.2010. This notification is available for the Assessment year, 2010-11.</p> <p>Action completed</p>

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	enable individuals to enter relevant details in a simple format in only two pages.	
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62. 123.	To expeditiously resolve disputes with taxpayers I propose to expand the scope of cases which may be admitted by the Settlement Commission to include proceedings related to search and seizure cases pending for assessment. I also propose to expand the scope of Settlement Commission in respect of Central Excise and Customs so that certain categories of cases that hitherto fell outside its jurisdiction may be admitted.	The amended provisions of Sections 245A and 245C of the Income Tax Act, 1961 so as to include proceedings related to search and seizure have come in to effect from 1 st June, 2010. The amended provisions of the Central excise Act, 1944 and the Customs Act, 1962 restoring pre 2007 status of the Settlement Commission have come into effect from 8 th May 2010.
	[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]	Action completed
63. 124.	Last year, amendments to the statute enabled Government to enter into tax treaties with specified territories besides sovereign states. We have commenced bi-lateral discussions to enhance the exchange of bank related and other information to effectively track tax evasion and identify undisclosed assets of resident Indians lying abroad.	Tax Information Exchange Agreement (TIEA): Negotiations have been completed with 10 countries/ jurisdictions (Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Island, Isle of Man, Monaco, Jersey, Cayman Islands, St.Kitts & Nevis, Argentina and Marshall Islands). Cabinet approval has been received in 5 cases and 3 cases are under consideration of the Cabinet. TIEA with Bermuda has come in to force.
	[Nodal Department: D/o Revenue]	Double Taxation Avoidance Agreements (DTAAs): Negotiations to amend Article concerning Exchange of information in the existing DTAAs have been completed with 10 countries. This will bring this Article in line with new international standards. Agreement with Switzerland has already been signed. In 13 new DTAAs Article concerning exchange of information has been agreed, in line with new international standard.
		Ongoing process
64. 66.	National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF) There are many areas of the country where pollution levels have reached alarming proportions. While we must ensure that the principle of "polluter pays" remains the basic guiding criteria for pollution management, we must also give a positive thrust to development of clean energy. I propose to establish a National Clean Energy Fund for funding research and innovative projects in clean energy technologies. I shall outline the mode of funding for this initiative in Part B of my speech.	<i>(This para may be read with para 154)</i>
	[Nodal Department: D/o Expenditure.]	

S.No. Para No.	Budget Announcement	Status of Implementation
65. 154	<p>Environment</p> <p>Harnessing renewable energy sources to reduce dependence on fossil fuels is now recognised as a credible strategy for combating global warming and climate change. To build the corpus of the National Clean Energy Fund announced earlier, I propose to levy a clean energy cess on coal produced in India at a nominal rate of Rs.50 per ton. This cess will also apply to imported coal.</p> <p>[Nodal Departments: D/o Revenue D/o Expenditure]</p>	<p><i>(This para may be read with para 66)</i></p> <p>Necessary cess has been levied with the enactment of the Finance Bill 2010 w.e.f. 8.5.2010. Guidelines as well as modalities for utilization of National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF) are being framed/worked out.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
66. 182	<p>Export of services, especially in the area of Information Technology and Business Process Outsourcing, generates substantial employment and brings in foreign exchange. I propose to ease the process of refund of accumulated credit to exporters of services by making necessary changes in the definition of export of services and procedures.</p> <p>[Nodal Department: D/o Commerce]</p>	<p>Necessary amendments in the Notification No.5/2006 dated 14.3.2006 have been made vide Circular No.7/2010 dated 27.2.2010.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>