

Government of Andhra Pradesh
GENDER BUDGET STATEMENT
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I. INTRODUCTION

1. RATIONALE FOR GENDER BUDGETING:

Budgetary allocations and their outcomes have differential impact on men and women because they undertake different economic activities, have different needs and face different constraints. One of the important areas of macroeconomic policy and a point of entry which has gained widespread acceptance worldwide and across India is mainstreaming gender in government planning, budgeting and auditing exercises, referred to as Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) or Gender Budgeting.

Gender Budgeting aims at efficient and equitable allocation, implementation and monitoring of resources based on the differential needs of men and women and diverse other genders to improve gender-based targets and achieve gender equality and women's empowerment. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted by 193 United Nations (UN) member states at the 70th UN General Assembly in 2015 commits to "leaving no one behind". Globally women, girls and diverse genders are disproportionately vulnerable to fully enjoying all economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights. The normative conventions on Elimination of All forms of Discrimination Against Women (1979) and the Beijing Platform for Action (1995) form the bedrock for ensuring that governments recognise and work towards fulfilling the rights of women, girls and diverse genders.

In the above context, Gender Budgeting has emerged as one of the critical global accountability tools to plan, allocate and programme adequate resources by governments to fulfil their international, national and local commitments. Gender Budgeting is a means for ensuring that public resources are allocated in an equitable way so that the most pressing needs of specific gender groups are prioritized and fulfilled. Gender Budgeting initiatives do not seek to create separate budgets to address gender concerns. Instead, they formulate, implement and monitor governments' budgets with a gender perspective. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, budgeting and financing recovery resources is all the more critical for addressing the gender impact of the crisis.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) is committed to mainstream gender in its planning and budgeting processes. To achieve this objective, the government has adopted Gender Budgeting. The foremost objective of Gender Budgeting is to encourage all departments to become more gender aware and scrutinize their plans and budgets from a gender

perspective. This is achieved by creating an enabling environment wherein key actors, departments and institutions apply Gender Budgeting and create and sustain institutional mechanisms to sustain Gender Budgeting over time. One such gender budgeting mechanism is a gender budget statement (GBS).

The Government of Andhra Pradesh adopted Gender Responsive Budgeting from the FY 2021-22 under the leadership of Sri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy, the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh with a total financial outlay of Rs. 47,283.21 Crore. A five year State Action Plan on Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) for the period 2021-25 was developed with representatives from various stakeholder departments. The state also developed institutional architecture for adoption of Gender Responsive Budgeting in planning, budgeting and operational systems.

Gender Budget Cells have been established in all departments and an Inter Departmental Monitoring Committee (IDMC) is being set up to strengthen effective monitoring of Gender Equality and Women Empowerment process. The APHRDI has been nominated as the nodal capacity building institute on Gender Responsive Budgeting.

In the Niti Aayog SDG Index 2020-21, the state recorded 4th rank in the country. All Navaratnaalu schemes have been linked to the indicators of SDG goals. From the baseline index 2019-20 to 2020-21, the performance related to SDG-5 has improved by 21 points. It has also been given a 'performer' status on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment in the index. The state is a frontrunner in SDG-9 and has fully achieved SDG-7. Since Gender is a cross cutting issue across the SDGs, the report on data of Gender Equality and Women Empowerment for Andhra Pradesh has gone beyond the nine national indicators for SDG-5. Out of 40 gender indicators presented across 13 SDGs, the state has scored 72/100 and became an overall front runner on SDGs implementation particularly women empowerment in the country.

According to National Family Health Survey (NFHS) -5, the overall female literacy rate is 68.6 % in AP which is higher than the national average of 64.63% (census 2011). The NFHS-5 data also indicates a decrease in gender based violence from 43.4 % in NFHS-4 to 30% in NFHS-5. The percentage of women who got married before the age of 18 has also decreased from 33% to 29.3% in the same period. The Infant Mortality Rate decreased from 34.9 to 33.3 per thousand live births. The Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) Ratio is 65 per one lakh.

Considerable measures for gender equality and women empowerment have been taken by the Government of Andhra Pradesh which is well coordinated through state gender machinery anchored by the Women Development and Child Welfare Department.

2. ENABLING POLICY FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN ANDHRA PRADESH:

2.1 Fifty Percent (50 %) reservation for women in Nominated Works and Nominated

Posts : The Government of Andhra Pradesh has enacted the following two Acts which are significant in empowering women economically and politically:

- **Act No. 26 of 2019: Fifty percent (50%) Reservation to Women in Nominated Works Contracts and Service Contracts:** This Act provides an opportunity to women in nominated works contracts and service contracts as a measure of horizontal reservation.
- **Act No. 27 of 2019: Fifty Percent (50%) Reservation to Women in Nominated posts:** This Act provides 50 percent Reservation to Women in all the nominated posts as a measure of horizontal reservation.

❖ Details of women members occupying Nominated Posts:

Post	Total	Women	%
Chairperson	202	102	50
Director	1154	586	51
Total	1356	688	51

A total of 688 women i.e. 51% are in positions of Chairperson or Director.

❖ Women representatives Elected to Urban Local Bodies:

S.No	Designation	Total No.	Women	% of Women
Municipal Corporation (12)				
1	Mayor & Deputy Mayors	36	18	50.00
2	Ward Members	671	361	53.80
Municipalities / Nagara Panchayats (75)				
1	Chairpersons	75	45	60.00
2	Ward Members	2123	1161	54.69

❖ **Women Elected into Rural Local Bodies – Panchayats, Mandal Parishads and Zilla Parishads.**

S.No	Designation	Total No.	Women	% of Women
1	Sarpanch	13097	7406	56.97
2	MPTCs	9405	5107	54.30
3	Presidents, MPP	648	343	53.00
4	ZPTCs	638	337	52.80
5	Chairpersons, ZPP	13	7	53.85
6	Vice Chairpersons, ZPP	26	14	53.85

❖ **Nominated to Agriculture Marketing Committees:**

SI	Particulars	No. of / percentage
1	Total No. of AMCs constituted	201
2	Female Chairpersons	99
3	% of Female Chairpersons	49 %

❖ **New Jobs in Village & Ward Secretariats:**

➤ **Female Volunteers:**

SI	Details	No. / Percentage
1	Total number of Volunteer Posts	2,65,380
2	No. of Volunteers working	2,50,985
3	Number of Women Volunteers	1,33,022
4	Percentage of Female Volunteers	52.99 %

➤ **Female Functionaries:**

SI	Details	No. / Percentage
1	Total number of Functionaries	1,35,819
2	No. of Functionaries working	1,21,446
3	Number of Women Functionaries	60,919
4	Percentage of Female Functionaries	50,16%

2.2 Women Beneficiaries under Different Schemes:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh under the dynamic leadership of the Chief Minister Sri YS.Jagan Mohan Reddy has initiated various developmental programs for the empowerment of women and welfare of children. These are related to education, health,

nutrition, livelihoods and protection from atrocities. Jagananna Ammavodi, YSR Aasara, YSR Cheyutha, YSR Sunna Vaddi, YSR Sampoorna Poshana, Jagananna Vidya Deevana, Jagananna Vasathi Deevana, House sites in the name of women in Jagananna Colonies are some of the flagship programs undertaken by the government for women empowerment.

2.2.1 Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT):

An amount of **Rs. 83,509.18 Crore** has been transferred to the bank accounts of **3,54,27,034** women beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) under Jagananna Amma Vodi, YSR Kapu Nestham, YSR Cheyutha, YSR 'Sunna' Vaddi (SHGs), YSR Nethana Nestham, YSR Aasara, YSR Pension Kanuka, YSR Rythu Bharosa, Matsyakara Bharosa, Jagananna Vasathi Deevana, Jagananna Vidya Deevana, YSR Vahana Mitra, MSME, YSR EBC Nestham, YSR Law Nestham, Jagananna Chedodu and YSR Aarogya Aasara Schemes.

2.2.2 Non - Direct Benefit Transfer (Non-DBT):

An amount of **Rs.34,841.34 Crore** has been incurred for the benefit of **1,15,11,936** women beneficiaries through Non-Direct Benefit Transfer (Non-DBT) under Jagananna Thodu, Jagananna Gorumudda, YSR Sampoorna Poshana, House Sites (Asset Value), YSR Aarogya Sri and Jagananna Vidya Kanuka schemes.

So far 4,69,38,970 women beneficiaries have been benefited with an amount of Rs.1,18,350.52 crore under both DBT and Non-DBT.

The State Government started preparing special statement on Gender Budget from the Financial Year 2021-22. The Gender Budget Statement for the FY 2022-23 is prepared in two parts:

- Part-A - Reflects schemes where 100% budget allocation is towards women and girls beneficiaries.
- Part-B - Reflects the composite schemes where 30 to 99% of the budget is allocated to women and girls.

A brief explanatory note about the schemes for Category 'A' and select Category 'B' schemes has been included in the document indicating the scope and objective of such schemes.

The Department wise allocation covers three types of activities:

- Support Schemes and Welfare Measures
- Beneficiary oriented Schemes (Self Employment / Economic support)

- Creation of Permanent Infrastructure

Basis for allocations in the Gender Budget:

- For Schemes exclusively benefitting women or girl beneficiaries, 100% of Scheme cost has been allocated and accounted for.
- For General Schemes benefitting women or girl beneficiaries along with others, the Scheme cost has been allocated and accounted for, in proportion to the women and girl beneficiaries covered.
- In respect of non-divisible infrastructure works, a portion of the Scheme cost as determined by the Government has been deemed to have been dedicated to Women or girl beneficiaries.

Executive Summary

1. The total outlay of Gender Budget for the FY 2022-23 is Rs.55,015.20 Crore
2. The total outlay on 100 % schemes targeted for women and girls is Rs..27,697.57 crore in the FY 2022-23 (Part A of the Gender Budget)
3. The total outlay is Rs. 27,317.64 crore for the FY 2022-23 for the various composite schemes which have allocation between 30 % to 99 % of the budget outlay for women and girls. (Part B of the Gender Budget)
4. There are a total of 17 schemes which are 100% targeted towards women and girls which are listed in part A of the Gender Budget Statement.
5. There are a total of 32 schemes in Part – B of the Gender Budget Statement which lists all the composite schemes which have atleast 30% allocation for women and girls.
6. YSR Pension Kanuka Scheme has been made the highest allocation under Gender Budget Statement.

II. PART A: SCHEMES THAT ARE 100% TARGETED TOWARDS WOMEN AND GIRL BENEFICIARIES

An amount of Rs. **27,697.57** Crore is provided under Part A for the FY 2022-23. The details of Schemes along with budgetary allocations are as follows:

S.No.	Name of the Department and Scheme	Amount allocated in FY 2022-23 (in Crore)
1.	Housing Department	
1.1	Navaratnalu- Pedalandriki Illu Scheme	4500.00
2.	SERP and MEPMA	
2.1	YSR Aasara Scheme	6400.00
2.2	YSR Cheyutha Scheme	4235.95
2.3	YSR Sunna Vaddi Scheme	800.00
3.	School Education Department	
3.1	Jagananna Ammavodi Scheme	6500.00
4.	Social Welfare Department	
4.1	Jagananna Vidya Deevena	2500.00
4.2	Jagananna Vasathi Deevena	2083.32
4.3	Rehabilitation, Economic Development, Liberation and Home for Jogin Women	0.20
5.	BC Welfare Department	
5.1	YSR Kapu Nestham	500.00
6.	Home Department	
6.1	Disha	44.76
7.	Department of Women, Children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens	
7.1	Swadhar and Ujjawala Schemes	2.00
7.2	Women Welfare Centres	0.34
7.3	AP Women Co-operative Finance Corporation	5.00
7.4	Victim Compensation and Payment to Domestic Violence Cells	2.83
7.5	State Commission for Women	2.08
7.6	YSR Swechha Scheme	32.00
8.	Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department	
8.1	Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)	89.09
	TOTAL	27,697.57

III. PART A: SCHEMES THAT ARE 100% TARGETED TOWARDS WOMEN AND GIRL BENEFICIARIES: SCHEME DESCRIPTION

1. HOUSING DEPARTMENT

1.1 Navaratnalu- Pedalandriki Illu Scheme

30.22 Lakh House Site pattas have been distributed to the women beneficiaries under the program "Navaratnalu-Pedalandariki Illu", out of which, 6,20,507 (20.05%) belong to SC; 1,79,161 (5.80%) belong to ST and 16,79,866 (54.30%) belong to BC categories, i.e., a total of 82% of total pattas have been distributed to women beneficiaries from the backward & oppressed classes. All homeless poor who are "Below Poverty Line" irrespective of caste, creed and religion are eligible for house sites under this programme. The size of house site is 1.5 cents in Rural areas and 1.0 cent in Urban areas.

A total extent of 71811.489 acres has been identified under the programme and the asset value of this land is approximately Rs.27,000 Crore for all categories of lands put together. A total of 17,624 house sites layouts have been developed and plots have been distributed to the beneficiaries. The government has sanctioned 15,10,227 houses under Phase 1 under PMAY-YSR (Urban) BLC Scheme and another 50,000 houses are being sanctioned under PMAY-YSR (Gramin). Thus, all put together 15,60,227 houses are being taken up under Phase 1 programme with a unit cost of each house at Rs.1.80 lakh both in Urban & Rural areas with a project cost of Rs. 28,084.09 Crs. All these houses will be taken up in 8,929 layouts with all infrastructure facilities and are named as "YSR Jagananna Colonies".

In the 2nd Phase, 12.70 lakh houses are proposed in 7,141 Layouts with a project cost of Rs. 22,860.00 Crs. All the 15,60,227 houses are being covered in all 175 Assembly Constituencies with average number of 8,915 houses per each Assembly Constituency. Out of 15.60 Lakh houses, 11.26 Lakh houses are being take up in new layouts, 1.41 Lakh houses in LPCs and another 2.93 Lakh houses in own sites. An amount of Rs 920 Crore (i.e. Rs 279 Crore in Urban areas and Rs. 641 Crore in Rural areas) was sanctioned for water supply works for construction purpose in the YSR Jagananna Colonies and these works are being executed by RWS & PH departments. Further, the DISCOMs have also been requested to provide external electrification in all the Layouts.

An amount of Rs. 4,500 Crore is proposed for this scheme in the Budget estimates for the FY 2022-23.

2. SERP and MEPMA:

2.1 YSR Aasara Scheme:

“YSR AASARA” has been introduced for providing financial assistance to Rural and Urban poor women in Self Help Groups who have availed bank finance to meet their financial needs by reimbursement of entire bank outstanding amount as on 11-04-2019 directly to the Groups Savings accounts of the SHG women in four instalments from financial year 2020-21 through the respective welfare corporations. The scheme was launched on 11th September, 2020.

7,96,532 SHGs will get benefit of an amount of Rs. 25,516.56 Crore over a period of four years. This will create access to enhanced livelihood opportunities, income generation and wealth creation at the household level, on a sustainable basis leading to better standards of living of poor SHG members both in rural and urban areas.

Through this scheme, the government aims to channelize these funds into sustained and long-term advantage by encouraging “Entrepreneurship” among the YSR Aasara beneficiaries. This unique scheme will bring together various institutions viz., the Banks, Business Promotion Associations, Universities, Research Institutes, Corporates, Business houses as stakeholders for creating a comprehensive ecosystem and promoting enterprising activities across agriculture, animal husbandry, handloom & handicrafts and retail business sectors.

For this, the GoAP has already entered into MoU with Amul, Hindustan Unilever, ITC Limited and Procter & Gamble in the presence of Hon’ble Chief Minister. In the 2nd year also the Government entered into MoUs with AJIO Reliance, Mahindra & Kheyti, Grameen Vikas Kendra (GVK), Tanager, Kalgudi and GIAN.

The percentage of groups which had become Non Performing Asset (NPA) groups stood at a high percentage of 18% till 2019 and this has come down to less than 1% at present which is a great turnaround performance. In the past, large number of groups became C and D groups and this has come down to less than 1% at present.

So far, an amount of Rs. 12,758 Crore has been released to 7.97 Lakh SHGs benefiting 78.75 lakh SHG members.

An amount of Rs. 6,400 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

2.2 YSR Cheyutha Scheme:

YSR Cheyutha is a unique welfare programme under which financial assistance of Rs.75,000 (over 4 years in four tranches) is being provided to women between the age group of 45-60 years, belonging to SC/ST/BC/Minority communities. The beneficiaries under this scheme can invest the funds as per their choice or requirement into existing livelihood activities or for setting up new enterprises.

YSR Cheyutha Scheme aims to channelize these funds into sustained and long-term advantage by encouraging “Entrepreneurs” among the YSR Cheyutha beneficiaries. The scheme ensures tie-up with business houses and corporates to provide end-to-end solutions from technical support, capacity building and marketing support. This beneficiary-oriented scheme was launched on 12th August, 2020. SERP and MEPMA have entered MoU with Multinational companies like HUL, ITC, P&G, Reliance, Amul, Mahindra & Kheyti, Ajio Textiles, GVK, Gain and NIINE to promote Livelihoods.

Retail business (Rural) implementation status:

- ❖ Retail Shops & Other shops established : 1,10,000
- ❖ Financial support Provided : Rs. 438.75 Crore

Animal Husbandry Status:

- ❖ Cow & Buffalo Units
 - Units grounded : 134103
 - Financial Support Provided : Rs. 757.80 Crore.
 - Avg. Additional Income per family : Rs 8000/-
 - Additional Income : Rs. 107.28 Crore
- ❖ Sheep & Goat Units
 - No. of Units grounded :82556
 - Financial Support Provided : Rs. 458.82 Crore
 - Avg. Additional income per family : Rs.6000/-
 - Additional income : Rs. 49.53 Crore

So far an amount of Rs. 9179.67 Crore has been released to 24.95 lakh beneficiaries

An amount of Rs. 4235.95 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23 for both rural and urban SHGs.

2.3 YSR Sunna Vaddi Scheme:

With a view to encourage better repayment culture and to reduce interest burden on the Rural and Urban poor of SHG Bank loans, the Government of AP has introduced “**YSR Sunna Vaddi**” on 24th April, 2020. So far an amount of Rs.2,354.22 Crore has been released to 98 lakh SHG women in both rural and urban areas for the last two financial years.

An amount of Rs. 800 Crore has been allocated under this scheme during the FY 2022-23.

3. SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

3.1 Jagananna Ammavodi Scheme:

In order to ensure that poverty of the parents does not come in the way of educating their children, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has launched a unique and innovative scheme “Jagananna Ammavodi” in January, 2020. Under "Jagananna Ammavodi", Rs. 15,000 per annum is given to poor and needy mothers or recognized guardian who belong to below poverty line household, irrespective of number of children of that family studying from class I to XII in all recognized Government, Private Aided and Private Unaided schools/Jr. Colleges including Residential Schools/ Jr.Colleges in the State. As a result of this and various other reforms in education, the number of school going children increased to 73.06 lakhs (a hike of 2.63 lakhs). So far Rs.13,022 Crore have been deposited in the accounts of 44.5 lakh mothers, thereby benefiting around 84 lakh children.

An amount of Rs.6500 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4. SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

4.1 Jagananna Vidya Deevena :

With the aim of ensuring accessibility to higher education to even children from underprivileged sections, full fee reimbursement to every eligible student is being ensured by Government of Andhra Pradesh by paying the amount in the mothers account, without dues on quarterly basis. Increased supervision of parents on facilities in colleges and more accountability is being ensured by depositing the amount in the mothers' accounts. This beneficiary oriented scheme was launched in November 2019.

So far an amount of Rs.6,259.72 Crore has been credited in the accounts of 21.55 lakh mothers of all eligible students in the state (including Rs.1800 Crore arrears left by the previous government).

An amount of Rs.2,500 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4.2 Jagananna Vasathi Deevana

The aim of Jagananna Vasathi Deevana Scheme is to provide assistance to the eligible students for food, travel and hostel expenses. Government provides Rs.10,000/- per annum to each ITI student, Rs. 15,000/- per annum to each Polytechnic student and Rs.20,000/- per annum for those pursuing Degree and above level courses. The amount is being credited into the account of the mother of the respective student. This Scheme was started in November 2019 and is being extended to all the eligible students in the family irrespective of their number.

So far an amount of Rs.2304.97 Crore has been credited in the accounts of 18.77 lakh mothers of all eligible students in the state.

An amount of Rs. 2083.32 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4.3 Rehabilitation, Economic Development, Liberation and Home for Jogin Women:

This scheme ensures the implementation of AP Devadasis (Prohibition of Dedication) Act, 1988 by Social Welfare Department by providing for rehabilitation of Jogin Women.

An amount of Rs. 0.20 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

5. BC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

5.1 YSR Kapu Nestham:

This scheme aims at providing financial assistance to women belonging to **Kapu Community (Kapu, Telaga, Baliya and Ontari sub-castes)** by granting **Rs. 75,000/- @ Rs. 15,000/-** per annum over a period of 5 years to financially empower Kapu women aged in between 45 years and 60 years for enhancing their livelihood opportunities and living standards. The scheme was started on 27th November, 2019. So far, an amount of Rs. 981.88 Crore has been incurred for the benefit of 3,27,862 Kapu women.

An amount of Rs.500 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

6. HOME DEPARTMENT

6.1 DISHA:

To ensure that a strong foundation is laid for stringent and prompt action in cases of atrocities against women and children, the legislature has passed the historic Andhra Pradesh Disha Bill, 2019 for making amendments in the Indian Penal Code and Criminal Procedure Code for ensuring completion of investigation and trial within 21 working days and for providing death penalty in cases of rape of women which are heinous in nature. The bills also provide for establishment of Exclusive Special Courts for trial of specified offences against women and children.

The Disha Bills: Criminal Law (Andhra Pradesh Amendment) Bill, 2019 and Andhra Pradesh Special Courts for Specified Offences against Women and Children Bill have been sent to Government of India for assent of the President under Article 254(2) of the Constitution of India. These Bills will be a landmark legislation providing speedy justice and stringent punishment in cases of sexual offences against women and children.

In anticipation of the assent of DISHA Bills, the State of Andhra Pradesh has taken proactive action for establishment of an enabling framework for timely completion of investigation and trial in cases of sexual offences against women and children.

- 18 Disha Women Police Stations have been set up in 18 police units by upgrading the existing Mahila Police Stations. Regular DSPs have been posted in all these Police Stations to ensure speedy investigation and better monitoring. These Police Stations have been certified by ISO as being women and child friendly.
- Disha App, an emergency SOS app for women in distress was launched on 8th Feb, 2020 as an emergency response system to offences against women and children. This app has become very popular amongst women and has above 1.13 Crore downloads. So far 4,76,258 SOS requests have been received through this App, 9,379 are actionable and 1,090 FIRs registered.
- 2277 cases related to crime against women have been charged within 7 days since December 2019.
- 158 convictions including three death sentences and 18 life imprisonments since December 2019 in cases of Crimes against Women.
- The Forensic capabilities of the state are also being strengthened, both in terms of infrastructure and manpower. New Disha Forensic Labs are being set up in Mangalagiri, Tirupati and Visakhapatnam. Work is already underway for the establishment of these labs.

- To ensure speedy trial to the victims, 12 Exclusive POCSO Courts and 13 Designated Courts for offences against women are operational in the State.
- Exclusive Special Public Prosecutors have been appointed in all the Exclusive POCSO Courts and all designated Special Courts for trial of offences against women.
- Women Help Desks are being set up in all Police Stations across the state to enable women to approach the Police Stations without any difficulty.
- 18 customized Mini Buses have been procured for integrated Crime Scene Management to improve quality of investigation and to ensure privacy to the victim.
- Disha Patrol consisting of 900 two wheeler patrols for visible policing for women safety has been launched. 163 Nos. of 4-Wheelers procured for Disha Patrolling.
- To put focus on welfare of the victim/survivor of sexual violence as an important component of the States policy, an exclusive Sub Inspector has been posted in each One Stop Centre to ensure easy filing of FIR without any hesitation and fear. All 13 One Stop Centres in the State have been strengthened to provide psycho-social counselling, medico-legal assistance and temporary shelter to the victims of sexual violence.
- Government medical practitioners across the State have been extensively trained on the protocol for medico-legal care for survivors/victims of sexual violence.
- 18 National Level Awards were received from various organizations for all Women Safety initiatives under Disha umbrella.
- Mahila Samrakshana Karyadarshi (Mahila Police) has been deployed in each Gram/Ward Secretariat to address and ensure the safety of women and children in the village.
- Mahila Mitra Committees have been organized in each Police station comprising of Women personnel and local women to coordinate all women related issues.
- Mahila Beat to prevent crimes against women and visits to rural /urban areas along with NGOs/Volunteers on weekly basis to create awareness.
- Mahila Beat (Mufti) – to pick up Eve teasers to counsel on daily basis.
- 9121211100 WhatsApp number has been launched for reporting of Cyber Crimes against women. So far, 4011 Petitions were received through WhatsApp and 467 FIRs have been registered.
- Twitter @APPolice 100 has been launched.
- Cyber Bullying WhatsApp Number Launched – 9071666667 and Twitter handle @APCID9071666667 launched for Women/Public for reporting Cyber bullying related Offences.

- A total of 5651 girls have been rescued under OPERATION MUSKAAN in four phases in the year 2020 & 2021 with 689 girls, 731 girls, 2860 girls and 1371 girls rescued in four phases.

An amount of Rs.45 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7. DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN, CHILDREN, DIFFERENTLY ABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS

7.1 Swadhar and Ujjawla Schemes:

Swadhar Greh scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme with a funding ratio of 60:40 that caters to primary needs of women in difficult circumstances. The benefit of Swadhar Greh can be availed by women above 18 years of age who are either deserted and without any social and economic support; women survivors of natural disasters who have been rendered homeless and are without any social and economic support; women prisoners released from jail who are without family, social and economic support; women victims of domestic violence, family tension or discord, who are made to leave their homes without any means of subsistence and have no special protection from exploitation and/ or facing litigation on account of marital disputes and women affected by HIV/AIDS who do not have any social or economic support. 21 Swadhar Grehs are functional in the State.

Ujjawala Home scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme with the funding pattern of 60:30:10. The target group of the scheme are as follows.

- 1) Women and children who are vulnerable to trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation.
- 2) Women and children who are victims of trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation

The objective of the scheme is to prevent trafficking of women and children for commercial sexual exploitation through social mobilization and involvement of local communities, awareness generation programmes, generate public discourse through workshops/seminars and such events and any other innovative activity. Five Ujjawala Homes are operational in the State. Both are beneficiary oriented schemes which were started in 2016.

An amount of Rs.2 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.2 Women Welfare Centres:

The objective of the scheme is to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women, with day care facility for their children, wherever possible, in urban, semi urban, or even rural areas where employment opportunity for women exists. 31 Working Women Hostels are operational in the State.

An amount of Rs.0.34 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.3 Assistance to AP Women Co-Operative Finance Corporation:

The Andhra Pradesh Women's Cooperative Finance Corporation was established with the aim of empowerment of rural women and was registered as a Co-op. Society under A P Co-op. Societies Act 1964. The Corporation organizes structured training of unemployed women in vocational courses and trades through District Mahila Pranganams. It also undertakes training of field functionaries on Nutrition and Health sectors i.e. Anganwadi workers, Asha workers etc.,.

The Corporation is also engaged in management of Working Women's Hostels. Rural/Urban women undergo trainings in various vocational training programmes funded by other Government Departments. The corporation is implementing "Swadhar Greh" scheme in 9 Districts through Mahila Pranganams as social defense mechanism to provide temporary accommodation, maintenance and rehabilitative service to women and girls rendered homeless due to family discord, crime, violence and mental stress. This scheme was launched in 1975 and is a beneficiary oriented scheme.

An amount of Rs. 5 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.4 Victim Compensation and Payment to Domestic Violence Cells:

For implementation of The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, Domestic Violence Cells have been established in every District to support women suffering from Domestic Violence. Further, Government of Andhra Pradesh is providing relief to women who are victims of atrocities like Rape, Kidnap, Dowry harassment, Trafficking, Acid attacks etc., vide G.O.Ms.No.28 WCD & SC(WP) Dept., Dt:13.06.2011. Financial relief is also being paid to rescued victims of trafficking as per G.O.Ms.No.28, WCD&SC(WP) Dept., Dt.15.10.2012.

An amount of 2.83 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.5 State Commission for Women:

Constituted in 1998 in the undivided Andhra Pradesh and in reorganized State, constituted in 2016, State Commission for Women inquires and recommends to the Government on issues related to women. State Commission for Women submits reports to Government on (a) the lacunae, inadequacies, or shortcomings in the laws in force which affect the constitutional right to equality and fair treatment of women and also on the remedial legislative measures to be taken to meet the situation: (b) the monitoring of the working of laws in force concerning women with a view to identifying the areas where the enforcement of laws is not adequately effective or has not been streamlined and recommending executive or legislative measures to be taken: (c) monitoring the recruitments made to State Public Services and State Public undertakings and promotions within the said services and scrutinizing the rules and regulations governing such recruitments and promotions with a view to reporting to guarantee equal opportunity to women in the matter of such recruitments and promotions.

An amount of Rs.2.08 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.6 YSR Swechha (Freedom from Restrictions)

Government of Andhra Pradesh has launched YSR Swechha scheme on International Women's Day, 2021 with an aim to reduce girl dropout ratio in schools and to ensure affordable access to menstrual hygiene to women in the state by bringing all departments under one umbrella. Under this scheme, Government is providing **120 sanitary napkins a year to each girl student @10 per month at free of cost to over 10 lakh** adolescent girls studying in classes 7th to 12th in Government schools and colleges.

Government is protecting their health by supplying standard popular branded napkins like Niine & Whisper from Reputed companies like Niine Pvt Ltd and Procter & Gamble at free of cost. Further, Government has also entered into agreement with giant MNCs to provide quality branded sanitary napkins at prices significantly lower to the market price through YSR Cheyutha retail stores to around one Crore women living in rural and urban areas. Government is not only supplying branded sanitary napkins at free of cost but is also creating awareness among adolescent girls through Nodal Officers about the methods of safe and hygienic disposal of used sanitary napkins. Government has also set up 6,417 incinerators across the state through Clean Andhra Pradesh (CLAP) to dispose the used sanitary napkins and protect the environment.

An amount of Rs. 32 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

8. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE:

8.1 Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY):

Under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), cash incentive of Rs.5000/- is being paid to the pregnant woman and lactating mothers for 1st live birth in three instalments at Rs.1000 /- for early registration of pregnancy, Rs.2000 /- for receiving at least one antenatal check-up and Rs.2000 /- for registration of child birth and first cycle of vaccination. This is a beneficiary oriented programme and the scheme was launched in 2017-18.

An amount of Rs.89.09 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

IV PART B: PRO-WOMEN AND GIRL SCHEMES IN WHICH 30% TO 99% ALLOCATIONS ARE TOWARDS WOMEN AND GIRLS

An amount of Rs. **27,317.64** Crore is provided under Part B for the FY 2022-23. The details of Schemes along with budgetary allocations are as follows:

SI	Name of the Department and Scheme	Amount allocated in FY 2022-23 (In Crore)
1.	Agriculture Department:	
1.1	YSR Rythu Bharosa – PM KISAN scheme	1303.50
1.2	Rythu Bharosa Kendras	5.40
1.3	Dr.YSR Free Crop Insurance	900.00
1.4	Supply of Seeds to Farmers	60.00
1.5	YSR Sunna Vaddi Panta Runalu Scheme	155.00
1.6	YSR - Agri Testing Labs	15.00
2.	Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department:	
2.1	National Health Mission (NHM)	1350.00
2.2	YSR Arogyasri Scheme	1060.00
2.3	YSR Arogya Aasara	174.00
3	Department of Handloom and Textiles:	
3.1	YSR Nethanna Nestham	11.09
4	School Education Department:	
4.1	Jagananna Gorumudda	781.82
4.2	Jagananna Vidya Kanuka	375.00
4.3	Mana Badi - Nadu Nedu	1745.80
4.4	Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan	1247.00
5.	Higher Education Department:	
5.1	Rashtriya Uchcharatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)	94.97
5.2	Government Junior Colleges	341.61
6	Department for Women, Children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens:	
6.1	YSR Sampoorna Poshana And YSR Sampoorna Poshana Plus Scheme	1335.96
6.2	Integrated Child Development Scheme	906.88
6.3	Integrated Child Protection Scheme	37.54
6.4	Poshan Abhiyan	72.38
6.5	Institutions for the Differently Abled	2.65
6.6	Aids and Appliances for the Differently Abled	7.50
7.	Social Welfare Department:	
7.1	Government Residential Schools	351.08
7.2	Jagananna Chedodu	450.97
8	Civil Supplies Department:	
8.1	Door Delivery of Rice and support to AP State Civil Supplies Corporation	110.01

9	Tribal Welfare Department	
9.1	Residential Schools for Tribals, Gurukulams and Hostels	111.30
10.	Department of Law	
10.1	YSR Law Nestham	5.40
11.	BC Welfare Department:	
11.1	BC Welfare Schools, College Hostels and Assistance to Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Andhra Pradesh Backward Classes Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society	76.29
11.2	YSR EBC Nestham	590.00
12.	Panchayati Raj and Rural Development Department:	
12.1	YSR Pension Kanuka	10620.00
12.2	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme	3000.00
13.	Department of Grama Volunteers/ Ward Volunteers & Village Secretariats / Ward Secretariats	
13.1	Jagananna Thodu	19.51
	TOTAL	27,317.64

V. PART B: PRO-WOMEN AND GIRL SCHEMES IN WHICH 30% TO 99% ALLOCATIONS ARE TOWARDS WOMEN AND GIRLS: SCHEME DESCRIPTION

1. AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

1.1. YSR Rythu Bharosa – PM KISAN scheme:

YSR Rythu Bharosa scheme is one of the prestigious Government programmes and also a key promise among the 9 promises of the Navaratnalu designed for farmer's welfare by providing financial assistance to farmers and making farming a remunerative profession.

Under this scheme, financial assistance is being provided to land owning farmer families @ Rs. 13,500/- per year per family duly including Rs.6000/- from the GOI under PM KISAN to support the cultivators in meeting the investment during the crop season with a view to enable them for timely sourcing of quality inputs and services for higher crop productivity.

Financial assistance is also being provided to SC, ST, BC, Minority category Landless tenant farmers @ Rs.13,500/- per year per family from the budget of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

1. The benefit of Rs.13,500/- will be extended to the eligible land owner farmers in 3 installments as detailed below:
 - ✓ 1st installment @ Rs.7500/- in the month of May (including Rs. 2000/- from PM-KISAN)
 - ✓ 2nd installment @ Rs.4000/- in October (including Rs. 2000/- from PM-KISAN)
 - ✓ 3rd Installment @ Rs.2000/- in January (Exclusively of PM-KISAN scheme).
2. For Landless Tenant farmers, the benefit of Rs. 13,500/- will be extended in 3 installments from the State Government budget as detailed below:
 - ✓ 1st installment @ Rs. 7500/- during the month of May.
 - ✓ 2nd installment @ Rs. 4000/- during the month of October.
 - ✓ 3rd Installment @ Rs. 2000/- during the month of January.

An amount of Rs. 5615.66 Crore has been released to 17,27,249 women beneficiaries till February, 2022.

An amount of 1,303.50 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23..

1.2. Rythu Bharosa Kendras:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh has established Rythu Bharosa Kendras in each village since May, 2020 for providing incentive opportunities and assistance to the farmers regarding their farming activities. These Kendras are one stop Centre for Crop Procurement. Rythu Bharosa Kendras also give information to farmers on market price of various crops, including the competitive prices ruling at the time, and also information pertaining to meteorology which is expected to help the farmer in zeroing on what to cultivate. Rythu Bharosa Kendras also give guidance to farmers regarding selection of farm inputs.

An amount of Rs.5.4 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

1.3 Dr.YSR Free Crop Insurance:

The State Government has launched “Free Crop Insurance” under Navaratnalu scheme from Kharif, 2019 onwards. The total farmer's share of premium is being paid by the State Government on behalf of farmers. During Kharif, 2019, 16.77 lakh farmers were enrolled with an insured area of 20.06 lakh hectares for a sum of Rs.15275 Crore. The Government, aims at achieving 100% coverage of Crop Insurance i.e. coverage of each and every acre of notified crop under Crop Insurance.

An amount of Rs.900 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

1.4 Supply of Seeds to Farmers:

The objective of the Scheme is to Supply quality seeds to the farmers at subsidized rates through the Government. This Scheme was started in 2016 and is a beneficiary oriented scheme.

An amount of Rs. 60 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

1.5 YSR Sunna Vaddi Panta Runalu Scheme:

YSR-Sunna Vaddi Panta Runalu Scheme is being implemented from Kharif 2019 onwards. The interest subsidy for the crop loans up to Rs.1.00 lakh is being transferred directly to the accounts of farmers who have repaid their loans within one year. The Government is settling the farmers interest subsidy claims immediately after completion of the season. The Government has issued guidelines for implementation of the scheme vide G.O. Rt. No.464 dated 30.06.2020 of the Agril. & Coop.(AGRI II) Dept., GOAP .

An amount of Rs.155 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

1.6 YSR Agri Testing Labs:

Dr.YSR Agri Testing Labs are being established to test the Agri inputs like Seed, Fertilizer & Pesticides to ensure the availability of quality agricultural inputs to the Farmers at RBK level at their villages.

An amount of Rs.15 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

2. HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

2.1 National Health Mission (NHM):

NHM was launched in 2005 to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care both preventive and curative to the rural population, especially the vulnerable groups such as Women, Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Children, Aged, Disabled, Poor Migrants, People living with HIV/AIDS and Sexual Minorities. Later in 2013, the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) and National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) were launched as Sub-missions of National Health Mission (NHM).

Under this Centrally Sponsored Scheme, the Central and State share is 60: 40 with six financing components; (i) NRHM-RCH Flexi pool, (ii) NUHM Flexi pool, (iii) Flexible pool for Communicable disease, (iv) Flexible pool for Non-communicable diseases including Injury and Trauma, (v) Infrastructure Maintenance and (vi) Family Welfare Central Sector component. Besides this, Reproductive and Child health programs are the major component under NHM.

An amount of Rs.229 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

2.2 YSR Aarogyasri Scheme:

The YSR Aarogyasri Scheme is a health insurance programme which was launched by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh and is administered by the Government Aarogyasri Health Care Trust. It allows low-income families to access good-quality health care services without spending money. The features of Scheme are Hospitalization (In-patient care), Out-Patient Treatment, Cashless Services, Coverage for Pre-existing Diseases, Coverage for Follow-up treatment, Family-floater Health Insurance Cover. 8,84,440 women and girls have benefitted under this scheme with an expenditure of Rs. 2542.88 Crore till February, 2022.

An amount of Rs.720.80 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

2.3 YSR Arogya Aasara

Government has launched Dr. YSR Arogya Asara Scheme to provide post-therapeutic sustenance allowance to the poor patients during their recovery period. After the poor patients get their treatment with the help of YSR Arogyasri, the state government offers them a maximum of Rs 225 per day or a maximum of Rs 5,000 per month for the prescribed relaxation time under the Aarogya Aasara scheme. This wage-loss allowance is applicable to 836 kinds of surgeries in 26 specialised areas.

An amount of Rs. 174 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

3. DEPARTMENT OF HANDLOOM AND TEXTILES:

3.1 YSR Nethanna Nestham for Weavers:

The Government is implementing 'Y.S.R. Nethanna Nestham' scheme by providing Rs.24,000/- per annum to every BPL weaver family who owns a Handloom so as to modernize their equipment and in-turn compete with the power looms. This programme was started in June, 2020. 25,112 women beneficiaries have been benefitted under this programme through disbursement of an amount of Rs. 177 Crore till February, 2022.

An amount of Rs.11.09 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23

4. SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

4.1 Jagananna Gorumudda:

Jagananna Gorumudda (Mid Day Meals) Scheme is a Flagship Programme of Government of Andhra Pradesh. This Program is dovetailed with the Mid day meal scheme of Government of India. Hot cooked mid-day meals are being provided on all school working days to all children studying in elementary classes(I-X) in all Govt schools, Govt.Aided schools, Special Training centers and Madrasas & Maqtabs supported under Samagra Shiksha covering 45,545 schools and 42,66,670 children.

The daily meal menu has been made more nutritious and attractive. Eggs are being provided 5 days in a week and Peanut-Jaggery Chikki is being provided to school children (3 days in a week) as an additional nutritious food under Jagananna Gorumudda (Mid-Day Meal Scheme). The new menu is under implementation since 21st January, 2020. 21,22,350 girl

beneficiaries have benefitted under this scheme with a spending of Rs. 1315.60 Cr. till February, 2022.

An amount of Rs.781.82 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4.2 Jagananna Vidya Kanuka

Government of Andhra Pradesh has supplied Student Kits consisting of three (3) pairs of uniforms, set of Notebooks, text books, a pair of shoes and two (2) pairs of socks, a belt and School bag to all the students studying from Classes I to X in all the Government/MPP/Municipal/ Residential Schools of Education & Welfare Departments/ Ashram Schools/Aided Schools/ Model Schools/ KGBVs/ Registered Madarasas in the State under “Jagananna Vidya Kanuka” Scheme from the Academic Year 2020-2021 onwards covering 42,34,322 children.

This scheme is aimed to minimize the dropouts, improve gross Enrolment ratio, improve students participation in learning activity and thereby improve the learning outcomes of the children. 23,82,859 girl children benefitted through an amount of Rs.762.28 Crore.

An amount of Rs.225 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4.3 Mana Badi Nadu-Nedu Programme:

Government of Andhra Pradesh has taken up major upgradation works in Schools under the Mana Badi Nadu- Nedu Programme to improve the learning infrastructure and decrease the dropout rate in all Govt schools. This programme was launched on 14th November, 2019 for focused development of school infrastructure in the state by involving the parents committees who are the key stakeholders in development of the schools.

Mana Badi – Nadu Nedu is being taken up in mission mode in a phased manner over a period of three years, starting from 2019-20. Under Mana Badi – Nadu Nedu program, following 10 infrastructure components have been taken up: (1) Toilets with running water (2) Drinking water supply (3) Major and minor repairs (4) Electrification with fans and tube lights (5) Furniture for students and staff (6) Green chalk boards (7) Painting (8) English lab (9) Compound wall and (10) Kitchen shed. The project covers total 46600 schools and junior colleges including hostels, residential schools, run by all managements.

An amount of Rs.1247 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

4.4 Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan:

Samagra Shiksha - an overarching programme for the school education sector extending from pre-school to class 12 has been prepared with the broader goal of improving school effectiveness measured in terms of equal opportunities for schooling and equitable learning outcomes. It subsumes the three schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).

The major objectives of the scheme are provision of quality education and enhancing learning outcomes of students; bridging social and gender gaps in school education; ensuring equity and inclusion at all levels of school education; ensuring minimum standards in schooling provisions and promoting vocationalization of education; to provide building and infrastructure facility and other amenities to all the Government and Local Body Primary, Upper Primary and High Schools/ Senior Secondary Schools meant for imparting education. Under this programme, access to free education is provided to all children up to the age of 14 years as stipulated in RTE act of 2009.

An amount of Rs. 1226.14 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

5. HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

5.1 Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA):

RUSA is to enable and empower the States to develop sufficient capabilities to plan, implement and monitor initiatives for the higher education sector as a whole. The scheme aims to improve the quality of State Universities and colleges and enhance their existing capacities so that they become dynamic, demand-driven, quality conscious, efficient and forward looking and responsive to rapid economic and technological developments occurring at the local, State, national and international levels. RUSA is being funded through the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) with prescribed contribution from the State governments. In the second phase of RUSA, Six Degree Colleges with highest NAAC grade CGPA, 2 new Govt. Degree Colleges were selected under the New Model Degree Colleges scheme, 3 Govt. colleges selected for funding under the Model Degree colleges scheme and about 47 government and aided degree colleges are selected under the Infrastructure Grants to Colleges

An amount of Rs. 94.97 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

5.2 Government Junior Colleges:

There are 472 Government and Vocational Junior Colleges and 122 Aided Junior Colleges functioning under the administrative control of the Commissioner of Intermediate Education. Conventional courses in science, arts and commerce are offered at Intermediate level. 27 Vocational courses are also being offered in the fields of Engineering & Technology, Agriculture, Home Science, Para Medical, and Business & Management. Approximately 1.05 lakh girl students are getting benefitted through these Junior Colleges.

An amount of Rs.341.61 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

6. DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DIFFERENTLY ABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS:

6.1 YSR Sampoorna Poshana Plus & YSR Sampoorna Poshana Scheme:

To address the problem of anemia and malnutrition among children aged 6 months to 72 months, the Government has introduced YSR Sampoorna Poshana Plus and YSR Sampoorna Poshana schemes for supplementary nutrition through Anganwadi centres from the year 2020-21.

6.41 Lakhs **Pregnant and Lactating women** are entitled to get monthly iron and protein rich millet based Take Home Nutrition Kit and Daily One Full Meal at Anganwadi Centre, consisting of Rice, Dal, Green leafy vegetables, Milk and Egg.

Approximately 13 Lakhs **Children aged 36-72 months are being** provided mid-day meal at Anganwadi. All children in this age group are being given milk (100ml) and Egg daily at the Anganwadi Centre. Children in tribal mandals are being given 200 ml milk per day.

Approximately 16 Lakhs **Children aged 6-36 months**, are being provided Eggs (25 per month), Milk (2.5 litres per month) and 2.5 kg Balamrutham (fortified weaning food) as Take-Home Ration under YSR Sampoorna Poshana Scheme. All children in 77 tribal mandals are being given 30 days Egg and 6 ltrs milk per month.

YSR Sampoorna Poshana and YSR Sampoorna Poshana Plus Scheme **aim at coverage of all beneficiaries in saturation mode** within the respective mandals through **uniform food models** with focus on addressing the issues of anemia and malnutrition. The scheme has been launched on 7th September, 2020 by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh. 19,87,823 women and girls have benefitted under this scheme with an expenditure of Rs. 2108.95 Crore till February, 2022.

An amount of Rs.1335.96 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23..

6.2 Integrated Child Development Services:

This Scheme represents one of the world's largest and most unique programmes for early childhood development. The objectives of the ICDS Scheme are to improve the nutritional and health status of children in the age group of 0-6 years, lay foundation for proper psychological, physical and social development of the child, reduce the incidence of mortality, morbidity, malnutrition among children and women and school dropouts among children, achieve effective co-ordination of policy and implementation among various departments to promote child development and enhance the capability of the mother to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child through proper health and nutrition education. Started in 1975 as ICDS, this Centrally Sponsored Scheme provides financial assistance to the State to meet administrative cost, salary, honorarium to Anganwadi Workers/Helpers (AWW/H), purchase of medicine kits, preschool kits to Anganwadi centres and uniforms to AWW/Helpers in 257 ICDS projects.

An amount of Rs.906.88 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

6.3 Integrated Child Protection Scheme

Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) is a centrally sponsored scheme designed with an objective to provide a protective environment for overall development of children. The scheme has strengthened the prevention of child rights violation, enhanced the infrastructure for protection services and provided financial support for implementation of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act, 2015. The main objective is to contribute towards well-being of children (0-18 years) in difficult circumstances and to reduce vulnerabilities towards situations and actions which lead to abuse, neglect, exploitation, abandonment and separation of children from their families. 52 Children Homes for girls, 14 Shishu Greh, 6 Observation Homes for children in conflict with law and 2 Special Homes are operational in the State under this Scheme.

An amount of Rs. 37.54 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

6.4 Poshan Abhiyan:

The goal of POSHAN Abhiyaan is to improve nutritional status of children 0-6 years, adolescent girls, pregnant women and lactating mothers in a time bound manner by adopting synergized efforts with all line departments in a result-oriented approach. The program is being implemented across the state. All Anganwadi Workers have been provided with Smartphones through which online entry of attendance and growth monitoring is being recorded through the YSR-Sampoorna Poshana App. Four types of Growth monitoring devices i.e. Infantometer,

Salter Scale, Electronic Weighing Scale and Stadiometer have been provided in each Anganwadi Centre. 21 Modules of Incremental learning trainings have been given to all Anganwadi workers, Supervisors and CDPOs. Intensive focus has been laid on Home Visits by the Anganwadi Workers. Community Based Events like Sreemantham, Annaprasana, early registration etc. are being done on fortnightly basis in each Anganwadi Centre. The scheme was launched in March, 2018 (although the programme was being implemented in 2017) and this is a non-beneficiary programme.

An amount of Rs.72.38 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

6.5 Institutions for the Differently Abled Children:

The Government is running 3 Residential schools for Visually Impaired students, 3 Residential schools for Hearing Impaired students, a Junior College for Hearing Impaired students, 20 Hostels for Differently Abled students and 4 Homes for destitute Differently Abled persons.

An amount of Rs.2.65 Crore has been allocated for the girl children during the FY 2022-23.

6.6 Aids and Appliances for the Differently Abled:

A.P Differently Abled & Senior Citizens Assistance Corporation is providing aids and appliances like Tricycles, Wheelchairs, crutches, calipers, artificial limbs, laptops, smartphones, motorised wheelchairs etc., free of cost to the needy differently abled persons. This is a beneficiary oriented programme and the scheme was started in July 1984.

An amount of Rs. 7.5 Crore has been allocated for the female disabled persons during the FY 2022-23.

7. SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

7.1 Government Residential Schools:

To provide qualitative education for the SC students at the level of school education, APSWREIS is running 189 Residential Institutions with 1,06,783 students from 5th to 12th classes. Scheduled Castes Component Funds are being utilized for maintaining the residential schools, for repairs and maintenance, capital works creation, and for maintaining the centres of excellence and for various new initiatives for the educational development of the SC students.

An amount of Rs.351.08 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

7.2 Jagananna Chedodu:

The scheme provides financial assistance to Rajakas, Nayee Brahmins and Tailors belonging to all communities who are living below poverty line. The financial assistance would be Rs. 10,000/- per annum. Financial Assistance will be provided to the SC persons who are engaged in Barber, Washermen and Tailoring profession. A total of 1,35,633 women beneficiaries have received Rs. 265.23 Crore till February, 2022.

An amount of Rs.450.97 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

8. CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT:

8.1. Door Delivery of Rice and support to AP State Civil Supplies Corporation:

Using the Mobile Distribution Units (MDUs), quality rice is being distributed at the doorstep of the cardholders after taking their biometric authentication. Global Positioning System (GPS) is fitted to all the vehicles and card holders are able to know the delivery details in real-time through the mobile app. Each vehicle is delivering the Rice for at least 18 days per month. The aim of this scheme is to provide food security to public, especially to Below Poverty Line (BPL) people which is inclusive of women and children as per National Food Security Act (NFSA) and Essential Commodities Act (ECA). 5 kg of cost-free food grains is provided for each member of the family holding AAY/ BPL ration card.

An amount of Rs.110.01 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

9. TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

9.1. Residential Schools for Tribals, Gurukulams and Hostels:

Government is committed to provide quality education for all STs and to convert hostels into Residential schools in a phased manner. Government has sanctioned 50 Residential Schools in non-ITDA districts. 30 Hostels in Scheduled Areas have been converted into Ashram Schools and 30 Tribal Welfare Hostels have been converted into Residential Schools.

Presently 190 educational institutions are functioning under the control of AP Gurukulam, out of which 78 are residential institutions funded by Government of AP. In addition to this, 19 EMRS and 12 Mini Gurukulams meant for low literacy areas are being funded by Govt. of India. 81 newly converted Tribal Welfare Residential schools are also functioning under Gurukulam.

An amount of Rs.111.30 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

10. DEPARTMENT OF LAW

10.1. YSR Law Nestham:

Vide G.O.Ms.No.75, Dt.26.10.2019, the Government of Andhra Pradesh sanctioned monthly stipend of Rs.5,000/-(Rupees five thousand only), for the first three (3) years to the Junior Advocates who are having less than three (3) years of standing in their practice and who were enrolled three (3) years prior to the issue of the orders and thereafter. From April, 2020 to March, 2021, Rs.9.01 Crore has been disbursed to 721 women beneficiaries till now.

An amount of Rs. 5.40 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

11. BC WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

11.1. BC Welfare Schools, College Hostels and Assistance to Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Andhra Pradesh Backward Classes Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society:

Government formed a new society for the administration of the Backward Classes Welfare Residential Schools in the State during the year 2012-13 vide G.O.Ms. No. 6 & 7 BC Welfare (B2) Dept., Dt. 02-4-2012 & 11-4-2012 respectively. The BC Residential Schools were transferred from the control of APREIS to the newly formed society named as Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Andhra Pradesh Backward Classes Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society (MJPAPBCWREIS).

There are 84 BC Residential Schools of which 42 are meant for Boys and 42 are for Girls and there are 14 BC Residential Junior Colleges of which 7 are meant for Boys and 7 are for Girls. Students are admitted from 5th Standard. Random selection method (Lottery) is adopted for admission into these Institutions.

An amount of Rs.76.29 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

11.2 YSR EBC Nestham

Vide G.O. No.2, Dt.20.4.2021 (BC Welfare Dept), Government commenced “EBC NESTHAM” for EBC communities for granting Rs.15,000/- per annum for a period of three years amounting to Rs.45,000/- to financially empower EBC Women (other than SC/ST/BC/Kapu/Minority communities) aged above 45 years and below 60 years for enhancing their livelihood opportunities and living standards.

An amount of Rs. 590 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

12. PANCHAYATI RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:

12.1. YSR Pension Kanuka:

As part of the Navaratnalu, enhancement of pension amount and reduction in the age criteria for old age pension is a major welfare measure to ameliorate the hardships of the poor and vulnerable sections of the society particularly the old and infirm, widows, and persons with disability to secure a dignified life.

Out of the total 61.74 lakh pensioners, 36.5 lakh women beneficiaries are being paid Rs.28,885 Crore towards OAP, Weavers, Disabled, Widow, Single women, fishermen, Dappu Artists, Abhayahastam, Pensions to artists, Sainik welfare pensions, Health pensions to patients etc.

An amount of Rs.10,620 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

12.2. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme:

Under this scheme, wage employment is being provided as per demand with Special focus on comprehensive development of RoFR Lands, Infrastructure activities i.e., Gram Sachivalayam / RBKs / YSR Health Clinics / Anganwadi Centers / Nadu-Nedu Compound Walls and connectivity. The objective of the scheme is to enhance livelihood security in rural areas by providing at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every household whose adult members including women who volunteer to do unskilled manual work. This beneficiary-oriented scheme was started in 2006. Wage employment provided to women is 40,35,620 days as on 19th February 2022.

An amount of Rs.3000 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.

13. DEPARTMENT OOF GRAMA VOLUNTEERS/ WARD VOLUNTEERS & VILLAGE SECRETARIATS / WARD SECRETARIATS

13.1 Jagananna Thodu

Vide G.O. No.1, Dt.29.5.2020 Government commenced JAGANANNA THODU – Interest Free (SUNNA VADDI) financial assistance of Rs.10,000/- and distribution of identity cards to “ChiruVyaparulu” and artisans engaged in traditional handicrafts

An amount of Rs.19.51 Crore has been allocated during the FY 2022-23.
