

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF DELHI'S BUDGET 2007-08**

1. The budget estimate of total expenditure during 2007-08 is Rs. 18,561 crore. This includes Rs. 9,000 crore as Plan Outlay, Rs. 9,461 crore as Non Plan and Rs. 100 crore for Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
2. The proposed expenditure of Rs. 18,561 crore will be funded from revenue receipts of Rs. 13,824 crore, Share in Central Taxes of Rs. 325 crore, small savings loan of Rs. 2,907 crore, Central Assistance of Rs. 1,033 crore and other receipts of Rs. 472 crore.
3. A Plan size of Rs. 9,000 crore for 2007-08 which is 73% higher than Plan Outlay of last year.
4. As against Plan size of Rs.23,000 crore for 10<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan, we have achieved utilization of Rs.22,600 crore.
5. Delhi spent 97% of the Plan Outlay during 2006-07 as against 94% and 91% in the previous two years.
6. The GSDP of Delhi at current prices has increased from Rs.91,981 crore in 2004-05 to Rs.1,05,385 crore in 2005-06 indicating growth of 14.6% for Delhi as compared to the growth of 13.8% at the national level.
7. The per capita income of Delhi was Rs.61,676 in 2005-06 as compared to Rs.25,716 at the national level.
8. Delhi own tax revenue collection has increased from Rs.8939 crore in 2005-06 to Rs.10,156 crore in 2006-07, registering a growth of 14%.
9. To create a Directorate for Women and Child Development to focus exclusively on all schemes for the welfare of women and children in order to increase their reach and effectiveness.
10. Government has made Gender Budget a part of Budget Document. In 2007-08, a sum of Rs. 181 crore is proposed exclusively for women welfare as against last year's allocation of around Rs.151 crore.
11. Stree Shakti has received international acclaim at the Commonwealth Association for Public Administration and Management [CAPAM] Innovation Awards Programme 2006, where it won Silver Award.
12. To consolidate and strengthen the action for welfare of women, 45 Gender Resource Centres during 2007-08 would be set up.
13. To increase the monthly pension from Rs.400 to Rs.600 under the present Old age Pension Scheme which is benefiting about 1.75 lakh senior citizens.

14. To have one Home for the Aged in each district.
15. To change the scheme of financial assistance to widows for self employment by a new scheme of Pension to Widows below the poverty line @ Rs.600 p.m.
16. To introduce a new scheme to promote higher education among girls. For this a fixed amount of Rs.5000/- would be deposited in the bank accounts of girl students of class-XII in Government Schools. This amount can be drawn by the girls after graduation.
17. To exempt girl students from payment of fees for all courses in ITIs from 2007-08.
18. A scheme of scholarships to students of courses in technical and higher education, belonging to the economically weaker sections will be introduced in the current year.
19. To constitute an Advisory Council for higher and technical consisting of eminent educationist to improve the quality of higher as well as technical education.
20. A scheme for awards to outstanding teachers of higher and technical education.
21. To extend the facility of free textbooks and uniform allowance, now available to girl students, to boys also in Government schools from the current academic session.
22. New University named as "Ambedkar University" in the Campus of Mahatama Gandhi Rural Energy Training Institute at Bakoli during 2007-08.
23. To set up a University of Science and Technology in 2007-08.
24. To set up a Knowledge Park at Delhi College of Engineering.
25. A Science & Technology Park (STEP) and a Nano-Technology Center will be set up at Netaji Subhash Institute of Technology (NSIT).
26. Increased the income limit of Rs. 48000/- to Rs.100000/- per annum so that a large number of families from SC, ST, OBC and Minorities become eligible for receiving benefits under educational schemes. Around 1.20 lakh students would be benefited under this scheme.
27. To construct on-line channel storage capacity of 100 million gallon on three major drains i.e. Najafgarh drain, Bawana drain and Mungespur drain.
28. To increase subsidy to Societies/Citizens Group in the field of rain water harvesting from Rs. 50,000/- to Rs. 1,00,000/-.
29. About 450 lakes and water bodies have been identified for conservation and development for increasing the storage of water as well as recharge of aquifers.

30. More than 26,000 flats will be constructed for weaker section on selected sites through DSIIDC, DDA and Slum Wing of MCD.
31. DSIIDC has been assigned construction of additional 4000 flats for industrial workers at Bawana, Narela and Bhorgarh.
32. For development work in unauthorised colonies, Special Development Fund of more than Rs.2800 crore in XI Five Year Plan has been created which includes Rs.660 crore for Annual Plan 2007-08.
33. A Board for Development works in Unauthorized Colonies which have been regularized is being set up.
34. Financial assistance for plan schemes of Municipal Corporation of Delhi is proposed to be enhanced to Rs.1618 crore as compared to Rs.914 crore in the last year, which is higher by 77 percent.
35. The DTC fleet will be augmented with the purchase of 500 new modern and low floor buses during the current financial year.
36. Work on construction of Geeta Colony Bridge and Road over bridge on Road No.63 will be completed by February 2008.
37. Construction of new flyovers at Mukarba Chowk, under-pass at ITO Chungi crossing, Road under bridge connecting Road No. 58 and 64, flyovers at Naraina and Mangolpuri has started.
38. Escalators will be provided on Foot over Bridges completed recently at ISBT Kashmere Gate, ITO and Maharani Bagh.
39. Work on the new Haat at Pitampura will be completed by September,2007.
40. To lay interceptor sewerage System along with three major drains of Najafgarh, Supplementary drain and Shahdara drain.
41. Government has decided to provide Sewerage System in all rural villages of Delhi and in all unauthorized colonies on their regularization.
42. The Aggregate Technical & Commercial (AT&C) losses which were soaring about 50%, have come down to 35% on an average and are expected to be brought down to 20% within the next two years.
43. 1000 MW Combined Cycle Gas Based Power Project will be set up at Bawana through NTPC by 2010.
44. During 10<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan (2002-07) around 2300 new beds have been added in the hospitals under Government of NCT of Delhi. In the 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan, 4000 new beds will be added, of which 1200 beds will be added in 2007-08.

45. The fleet of CATs ambulances will be increased from 35 to 300 in 2007-08.
46. A pilot project for developing wireless fidelity service in Connaught Place.
47. A Call Center for providing information on various services offered by Government and its schemes is being set up. The Center will also work as "Citizen Relationship and Grievance Management System" (CRGMS).
48. To implement e-procurement system for transparent speedy and cost effective purchase of goods and services by March'2008.
49. 57 Transition Education Centers (TECs) for child labour withdrawn from work are functional. Nearly 140 TECs for child labour will be opened.
50. Initiated action for modernization and redevelopment of agriculture mandi at Azadpur and Flower Grading and Auction Centre.
51. A mechanized Chicken Dressing Plant at Ghazipur and a new grain market at Narela will be set up.
52. APMC Act, will be amended as per the model bill circulated by Government of India in order to facilitate trade and marketing of agricultural commodities.
53. For the Rural Development Board, an amount of Rs.123 Crores has been provided in the current year as against Rs.75 Crores in the last year.
54. The state-grading laboratory for quality testing & certification has been set up and three major laboratories namely Forensic Science Laboratory, Prevention of Food Adulteration laboratory and Weights & Measures laboratory will be upgraded.
55. Various infrastructural development agencies will implement projects which would qualify for earning the Carbon Credits.
56. At present, Delhi has 14 city forests. 9 more city forests will be developed in an area of 261 hectares. Out of this, PWD alone will be developing city forest of about 122 hectares.