

PM ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1/9/2004 at Amritsar, 23/9/2005 at Ludhiana & Chandigarh, 24/3/2006 at Amritsar & 20/12/2006 at Amritsar)

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ITEM 1- GALLIARA PROJECT

(Amritsar - 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement –**
 - The project, sanctioned in 1988 was divided into 5 phases out of which 3 phases have been completed.
 - The PM promised Rs 72 crore for completion of the remaining 2 phases. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Local Govt
 - GoI – Ministry of Home Affairs
3. **Scope of Work-**
 - Project approved in 1988 with the objective of decongesting the areas surrounding Golden Temple complex and providing a 30 meter corridor around it.
 - Phase IV and V are under implementation.
4. **Progress -**
 - As against a sum of Rs 72 crore approved for completing phase IV & V, GOI has so far released a sum of Rs 31.18 crore - Rs 2 crore in 1/2004 and 2 installments of 13.75 crore each first on 21/6/05 and second on 23/3/06 & Rs 1.68 crore from other sources.
 - The expenditure incurred so far is Rs 31.02 crore - Rs 23.34 crore for works & Rs 7.68 crore for land acquisition.
 - The progress has been slow mainly because the work of construction of multi level parking has not started. It was to be constructed in place of existing government school. It has been shifted to a new building and the existing school has been demolished. There are 4-5 old trees which are to be felled. The work has been allotted to a contractor and the site would be cleared by 15/4/2007. The work of construction of Multi-level parking has been allotted and the work will begin by 20/4/2007.
5. **To be Done –** Project on schedule.
6. **Target Date –** 31/12/2007
7. **Comments-** DC Amritsar is in-charge of this project.

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ITEM 2 - SRI GURU RAMDAS WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE PROJECT (EARLIER KNOWN AS SRI GURU RAMDAS URBAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AMRITSAR)

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

- 1. Announcement –**
 - The project envisages providing water supply and sewerage facilities to the entire town.
- 2. Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Local Govt
 - GoI – Ministry of Urban Development
- 3. Scope of Work- (Rs. 3150 Cr)**
 - The Prime Minister’s announcement was for providing water supply and sewerage facility to the entire town at an estimated cost of Rs 240 crores. This project is to be financed under the much larger JNNURM project for Amritsar as per details in the next sub-para.
 - Total cost of the JNNURM project - Rs 3150 crore: Water supply & Sewerage - Rs 312 crore, Traffic & transportation (MRTS, Elevated road project) - Rs 2567 crore, Tourism - Rs 105 crore, Housing – Rs.120 crore, Urban Renewal – Rs.36 Crore and Urban Governance – Rs.10 crore.
 - Funding - GoI : 50%, State Government : 20% & MC : 30%
- 4. Progress –**

JBIC -

 - The water supply and sewerage component of the project was technically sanctioned by the MoUD, GOI on 7/7/2005 and was initially posed to Japan Bank (JBIC)
 - JBIC Mission discussed the main points with MC Amritsar and Sewerage Board officials on 29/7/2006. In a meeting held in PMO on 8/8/2006 Secretary, MoUD, GoI suggested that in case JBIC funding becomes available, it could be used by the Punjab Government as the required local/institutional component under NURM. JBIC funding is also under consideration.
 - JBIC team visited Amritsar and Chandigarh from 6/10/2006 to 18/10/2006 for appraisal of the project. It has been agreed that JBIC will finance the sewerage component to the extent of 6961 million Yen (Rs. 276.23 crore) out of the total project costing 9073 million Yen (Rs. 360.04 crores). Minutes of the discussion in the matter were signed between State government, MC Amritsar, MoUD GoI and JBIC on 10/11/2006.
 - Minutes of discussion regarding scope of work implementation methodology has been signed by the Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, Principal Secretary, Local Government Punjab, Director MoUD and representative of JBIC on 22-2-2007.
 - Final loan agreement is to be signed between Government of India and Government of Japan on or after 23-3-2007.

- EOI for inviting Project Management Consultant published in newspaper on 18-3-2007.

NURM -

- A City Development Plan amounting to Rs 3150 crore was approved under NURM by MoUD, GoI on 8/9/2006.
- Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board prepared DPR for Rs.239.65 crore of the water supply and sewerage component of the project and sent it to MoUD who cleared it on 19/9/2006.
- The Municipal Corporation is preparing DPRs for the other components of the projects for approval by MoUD.
- A tripartite agreement has been just signed on 8/12/2006 between MC Amritsar, Punjab Government and MoUD regarding State Government and MC Amritsar commitments for undertaking Urban Development Reforms during the Mission period.
- A sum of Rs 22.41 crore has been received from GoI. The money along with the state share of Rs. 8.96 crore is being released to the Sewerage Board. These funds are yet to be released by Finance Department.
- The foundation stone of the project was laid by the Hon'ble PM on 20/12/2006.

5. To be Done –

- MC Amritsar to prepare DPR for other components of the projects. (MC Amritsar)
- FD of GoP to release GoI share of Rs. 22.41 crore and State share of Rs. 8.96 crore to MC Amritsar. (FD)
- To set up project implementation team and constitute various monitoring/implementation committee. (MC Amritsar)
- To acquire land for construction of STP at Amritsar. (MC Amritsar)

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ITEM 3 – PLAN FOR LUDHIANA CITY

(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

- (a) **Announcement** – Plan for Ludhiana City under Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
- GoP- Dept of Local Govt
 - GoI - Min of Urban Development
3. **Scope of Work- (Rs. 2053 Cr)**
- Total cost of project Rs 2053.00 crore involving different components such as water supply & sewerage - Rs 803.05 crore, Roads - Rs 826.00 crores, facilities for urban poor and slum dwellers Rs.166.65 crore and municipal solid waste management Rs.140.00 crore.
 - The cost is to be shared among GOI (50%), State Government (20%) and MC, Ludhiana (30%).
4. **Progress –**
- A City Development Plan amounting to Rs 3995 crore was originally prepared. The proposals were sent to MoUD approved consultants in Ahmedabad for appraisal. The Consultant recommended the approval of CDP for Rs. 2053.70 crore.
 - MoUD, GoI approved it for Rs. 2053.70 crore.
 - PIDB has already initiated the process of construction of ring road around Ludhiana on BOT basis.
5. **To be Done** – MC Ludhiana to prepare DPRs for the different components of the CDP and get them approved from MoUD, GoI. (MC Amritsar)

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ITEM 4 – ELEVATED ROAD FOR ACCESS TO SRI HARMANDIR SAHIB

(Amritsar – 24/3/2006)

- 1. Announcement –**
 - Elevated road for access to Sri Harmandir Sahib (Rs 210 crore)
 - Also included in Item 2- JNNURM Amritsar above
- 2. Nodal Ministry/Department-**
 - GoP - Dept of Local Govt
 - GoI - Ministry of Urban Development.
- 3. Scope of Work-**
 - 0.92 km 2 lane Elevated Road from GT Road to Phawara Chowk (Golden Temple) and 3.25 km 4 lane Elevated Road on GT Road from Maqbulpura Chowk to Bhandari - Pul at an estimated cost of Rs. 210 crore.
 - This project is to be financed under the much larger JNNURM project for Amritsar as per details given in Item 2 above.
- 4. Progress –**
 - This project has also been included in the project proposal mooted by Municipal Corporation Amritsar for inclusion and funding under JNNURM.
 - MoUD approved the CDP for Rs. 3150 crore on 8/9/2006. Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board prepared DPR for Rs. 239.65 crore of the water supply and sewerage component of the project and sent it to MoUD who cleared it on 19/9/2006. The Municipal Corporation is preparing DPRs for the other components of the projects including the elevated road component for approval by MoUD.
 - State government has in the mean time initiated the work on the project. A sum of Rs. 24 crore has been earmarked for the year 2006-07. M/s Gammon (India) has been engaged for executing this project after inviting global tenders on the basis of design and report of the consultant - Arch Consultancy Services Pvt Ltd, New Delhi.
 - The cost of the project for the time being is shared by MC, PUDA, IT & GoP in the ratio of 20:20:20:40. Share of Municipal Corporation and Improvement Trust has been received. GoP has sanctioned Rs 9.60 crore on 18/7/2006.
 - Its foundation stone was laid by CM Punjab on 20/7/2006. The work has been started.
 - The DPR for the Elevated Road Project amounting to Rs. 210 Cr were submitted to MoUD, GoI. It is not being included under NURM on the ground that it was an ongoing project which could not form part of NURM. The work was started with financial assistance of the State government by MC Amritsar in view of announcement by the Hon'ble PM in Amritsar on 24/3/2006.
- 5. To be Done –** MC Amritsar to get the DPR of the Elevated Road Project approved by MoUD, GoI. (MC Amritsar, MoUD GoI)

ITEM 5 – DOMORIA BRIDGE JALANDHAR

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – Being constructed by MC, Jalandhar (Rs 26.11 crore)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP- Dept of Local Government
 - GoI - Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
3. **Scope of Work-** Sanctioned on 7/12/2001 for Rs 26.11 crore (to be funded by MoRT - Rs 20.78 crore, Railways - Rs 5.33 crore)
4. **Progress** –
 - MoRT hasn't released any amount whereas Railways have released only Rs 2 crore. Expenditure of Rs 14 crore has been incurred against the tendered amount of Rs 17 crore
 - A sum of Rs. Rs 11.41 crore was raised as loan from PIDB which would be returned after receipt of funds from GOI. The then Prime Minister Sh. Inder Kumar Gujral had announced the construction of ROB from GoI funds. In a meeting held in PMO on 8/8/2006, Secretary, DoRTH stated that the department will honour the commitment and asked GoP to send all relevant details to the Ministry. The Municipal Corporation Jalandhar vide its letter dated 7/9/2006 addressed to DG Roads has furnished all the relevant details. Payment from the MoRTH and the Ministry of Railways is awaited.
 - Secretary MoRTH vide his DO dated 25/9/2006 asked the state government to access the amount of Rs. 20.78 crore under the CRF scheme. The Department of Planning, GoP vide its letter dated 7/11/2006 wrote to the Planning Commission and MoRTH for grant of additional central assistance of Rs. 20.78 crore. It has been explained that funds under CRF are in any case always placed at the disposal of the state government and if these are diverted to Domoria Bridge as suggested by GoI, then the funds for other projects will have to be curtailed. The request of the state government has always been for grant of additional assistance/ funds for the bridge from GoI. MoRTH is therefore to arrange an additional amount of Rs. 20.78 crore for this project.
 - The Planning Commission has asked the State government to include the ACA of Rs. 20.78 Cr in the proposals of 2007-08. MoRTH should provide a special central assistance of Rs. 20.78 Cr.
 - Fly-over structure is almost complete except the railway span. The Chief Engineer (Construction) Northern Railways, New Delhi approved the conceptual design and detailed structural drawings were also cleared by the Chief Engineer.
 - The work has started and is likely to be completed by end of June, 2007. As on 3/4/2007 nearly 86% of the work is complete and a sum of Rs. 14.07 crore has been spent out of total of tendered amount of Rs. 17.00 crore.
5. **To be Done** –
 - Railways to release Rs 3.33 crore. (Ministry of Railways)

- MoRTH to grant a sum of Rs 20.78 crore as special central assistance, since state government can not divert funds from CRF for this purpose.

6. **Target Date** – 31/12/2006 but likely to be completed by 30/6/2007.

7. **Comments-** Railways and MoRTH to release their respective share to MC Jalandhar.

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ITEM 6 – MASS TRANSPORT LUDHIANA

(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – In order to ease traffic congestion in Ludhiana, the state government should consider a Mass Transport System
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Transport, PIDB
3. **Scope of Work-** The Government of India would provide 50% of the cost of the study to develop a project for the Mass Transport System through a professional agency. The cost of study will not be more than 2-3 lakhs per city and therefore it has been decided that the funding will not be sought from GoI.
4. **Progress –**
 - Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana has got the prefeasibility study completed by Rail India Technical Economic Services(RITES). The study carried out by RITES is being updated through financial assistance from PIDB. It has been decided that PIDB would undertake this project.
 - In the mean time ILFS has been engaged for implementing the project for City Transport Service in Ludhiana, Amritsar and Jalandhar on the pattern of Indore City Transport Service Ltd (ICTSL). The project is to be developed under PPP mode within seven months.
 - SPVs were incorporated in all the 3 Municipal Corporation Towns on 28/12/2006. These are headed by the Deputy Commissioners.
 - PIDB invited expression of interest (EOI) from bus operators through advertisements. 26 parties responded and the parties are being short-listed. Draft RFP document is ready and will be finalised after comments of the Transport Department.
 - PIDB invited EOIs for pass, GPS Solutions and Advertising and the parties are being short-listed. RFP is under finalisation.
 - Transport Department which is the nodal department for City Bus Service Project has been requested to seek fresh approval of the Government for continuing with the project. Further action will be taken after receipt of reply of the Transport Department.

Details are enclosed herewith.
5. **To be Done –**
 - EOIs received. Parties to be short-listed. (PIDB)
 - RFP document to be finalised and issued to the departments. (PIDB)

Status of Project Development Activities as on 31/3/2007

Project Component	Status			Remarks
	Amritsar	Jalandhar	Ludhiana	
Overall Project Concept and Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project development process started in September 2006 The overall project concept including the need for formation of Special Purpose Companies (SPVs) in each of the three cities (i.e. Amritsar, Jalandhar and Ludhiana) was approved by the State Cabinet in its meeting held on November 17, 2006 Jt. Commissioners in each Municipal Corporation nominated as Nodal Officers (and CEOs of respective SPVs) for coordinating project development activities at each city level 			
Finalization of Bus Routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial routes notified by Transport Dept. Changes in notified routes intimated to DTO on 14th Dec 06 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial routes notified by Transport Dept. No further action required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial routes notified by Transport Dept. Changes suggested in notified routes intimated to Transport Dept. on 26th Dec06 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further action by Transport Dept. for Notification of Changes in Routes
Formation and Incorporation of SPVs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPV incorporated on 28th Dec 2006 Board Meeting yet to be held Issue of vacant post of Jt. Municipal Commissioner (Sh. Bhupinder Singh transferred) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPV incorporated on 27th Dec 2006 1st SPV Board meeting held on 2nd Jan 2007 to discuss issues related to appointment of Chairman, ED, CEO, auditor, approval of preliminary expenses, signing authority, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPV incorporated on January 2007 Board Meeting yet to be held 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project development activities are on hold due to election process Further action required at DoLG and MC level

Project Component	Status			Remarks
	Amritsar	Jalandhar	Ludhiana	
		etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next Board meeting to be held after election process 		
Bus Depot and Space for SPV Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.5 Acres land for Bus Depot identified at Outer Circle Rd. (MC land) and application moved for approval SPV office space to be specified and made operational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Around 51 Kanal land for Bus depot identified at Paragpur. Land belongs to Dept. of Shipping & Transport (Central Govt.), and application moved to DC for transfer of land SPV office space identified in the office Jt. MC and to be made operational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land for Bus depot identified on Pakhowal Road owned by Ludhiana Improvement Trust. Application yet to be transfer of land to MC SPV office space to be specified and made operational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action required / to be expedited at respective MC level for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allotment of Land For Space for SPV Office
Interim Bus Stops for launch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action to be taken for construction and renovation of bus stops for launch of services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action to be taken for construction and renovation of bus stops for launch of services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action to be taken for construction and renovation of bus stops for launch of services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action required at respective MC level

Project Component	Status			Remarks
	Amritsar	Jalandhar	Ludhiana	
Bus Stops for Operation of services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locations of Bus stops on notified routed already identified • Initial bus stops required for launch of services to be renovated by respective MCs • Land for construction of Bus stops to be allotted by respective MCs. • Bus stops to be developed on BOT basis. RFP documents developed by IL&FS IDC 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action required at respective MC level
Visit of Officers to Indore City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to be planned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to be planned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to be planned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action required at respective MC level
Selection of Vendors/ Suppliers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass providing and issuing vendor: Total EOIs received=5 nos. RFP documents developed by IL&FS IDC. • GPS solution provider: Total EOIs received=11 nos. RFP documents developed by IL&FS IDC. • Advertising rights vendor: Total EOIs received=4 nos. RFP documents developed by IL&FS IDC. • RFP documents can be approved by GoP once the project development activities re-start 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Process of selection is on hold due to on-going election process
Bus Operators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EOI received = 27 nos. for all three cities • Draft RFP document for Bus Operators submitted by IL&FS IDC on 5th Dec. No comments received so far • RFP can be issued to Bus Operators after finalization • Specification of buses finalized by Department of Transport, GoP • Electronic Ticketing Machines (ETM) to purchased directly by the bus operators. The supplier has been approved by Department of Transport/ GoP 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action required at respective MC level, DoT, PIDB
Issue of Special Road Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Local Government, Finance Department, Transport Department and PIDB to evolve an appropriate system for subvention to the SPVs for SRT to be deposited by them 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action by DoLG, DoF, DoT and PIDB
IL&FS IDC representative at each City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of IL&FS IDC has been placed on a full-time basis at each of the three cities for regular interactions with Nodal Officers • Regular visits to all the cities are also being undertaken by Core team in addition to above 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No payment has been released to IL&FS IDC so far for the project development activities

Project Component	Status			Remarks
	Amritsar	Jalandhar	Ludhiana	
Other General Issues	<p>During discussions with prospective bus operators, the following apprehensions have been expressed by them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large number of illegal autos plying without valid permits and creating nuisance through their Unions • Autos with Contract Carriage Permit ply the same as Stage Carriage • Mini Buses make more stoppages than as permitted in their Permits 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action would be required at city level by MC and DTO for strict enforcement of rules

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ITEM 7 – RING ROAD - LUDHIANA
(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – For the proposed Ring Road around Ludhiana city which is to be built on BOT basis, the Government of India would provide 20% of the total cost as Viability Gap Funding.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP – Dept of Housing & Urban Development, PIDB
 - GoI – Min of Urban Development
3. **Scope of Work-**
 - The PIDB decided on 12/1/2006 to construct the Ring road around Ludhiana and develop the area along the ring road under PPP format. Earlier PUDA and now Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA) was selected as the executing agency.
 - Ring road, 10 km from the city centre to be constructed on BOT basis.
 - Length - 62 km – 6 lane- 26.1 km and 4 lane- 36.4 km. Fly-over 8, ROBs 4.
 - Cost : Total - Rs 1516.93 crore (Construction - Rs 758.76 crore, Land- Rs 625.00 crore).
4. **Progress** –
 - Expressions of Interest (EOI) were invited and 15 parties have submitted their offers. These were evaluated by M/s Feedback Ventures Pvt Ltd (FBVPL) on 10/8/2006. But the parties are yet to be short-listed.
 - The Request for Proposal (RFP) document, Volume I, which consists of bidding parameters, obligations of GoP & Concessionaire, Draft Concession Agreement, Schedules to Concession Agreement etc. was submitted by Feedback Ventures on 29/8/2006. It cannot be finalized till the issue of re-alignment of the Ring road is finalized.
 - The draft proposal for seeking Viability Gap Funding (20% of the project cost) from Government of India (GoI) has been submitted by Feedback Ventures on 25/9/2006. PIDB is to finalize it and send it to Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs.
 - The issue of re-alignment of the proposed ring road near Badowal Ammunition Depot (adjacent to Ferozepur Road – NH-95) was raised by the Commanding Officer in a meeting held on 7/9/2006 under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Housing and Urban Development, GoP. PUDA has asked M/s Dalal Mott Macdonald to carry out the study for re-alignment near Badowal ammunition depot as it is a part of their agreement with PIDB. It was also decided that the process of land acquisition shall also be initiated under emergency clauses. The land acquisition plans have been submitted by the M/s Dalal Mott Macdonald, the technical consultants who prepared the Techno-Economic Feasibility Study for the ring road.

- In a meeting held under the chairmanship of CS, GoP on 13/12/2006 it was discussed that since there is no written refusal from the defense authorities, the matter shall be taken up with higher authorities of Defense Department for approval of the existing alignment and flyover at crossing of NH-95 (Ferozpur road). M/s Dalal Mott Macdonald was also asked to submit their proposal for carrying out the realignment study (in case it is required) and the same has been submitted by them.
- The matter regarding realignment could not be taken up with Military authorities due to Assembly elections.
- It was also discussed that the RFP Document shall be revised after the issue of alignment is resolved since change in alignment would have affect on the scope of work and financial viability of the project.
- Notification for land acquisition has been held up for want of finalisation of realignment.

5. To be Done –

- Parties who have responded to EOI notice to be short listed by PUDA/ PIDB.
- RFP to be finalized and bids to be invited from the parties.
- Alignment to be finalized and notification for land acquisition to be issued. GLADA to take up the matter with Defence Authorities. (GLADA)

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ITEM 8 – CORRIDOR TO GURDWARA IN KARTARPUR (PAKISTAN)

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – The issue of opening a corridor to visit the historical Gurdwara in Kartarpur in Pakistan and facilitation of quick visas to enable pilgrims to visit Sikh shrines in Pakistan will be emphatically raised during the next round of talks with the Government of Pakistan.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Home Affairs and Justice
 - GoI – Ministry of External Affairs.
3. **Scope of Work-** Provision of a corridor to enable pilgrims to visit Kartarpur Sahib in Pakistan and issuance of liberal & quick visas to visit Gurdwaras in Pakistan
4. **Progress –**
 - The matter was taken up by Chief Minister, Punjab with Union Minister for External Affairs, New Delhi vide DO dated 29/6/2005 and with the PM vide DO dated 18/2/2006, requesting for personal intervention to ensure an early decision in the matter.
 - JS MEA vide his letter dated 10/3/2006 replied that they are pursuing a proposal made to Pakistan to expand the list of places of pilgrimage. Pakistan is already allowing pilgrims to go to Sri Kartarpur Sahib since 2005. A revised agreement for visa liberalisation has been proposed to Pakistan.
 - Reminders dated 26/5/2006, 25/7/2006, 29/9/2006 and 27/12/2006 have been issued to GoI, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi with a request to apprise the State government about further development in the matter.
 - In a meeting on 8/8/2006 in PMO, Foreign Secretary stated that the proposal to open a corridor has been posed to Pakistan who have yet to respond. However, Pakistan is already permitting pilgrims to visit Kartarpur. Foreign Secretary also suggested that GoP should carefully examine the viability of the proposed corridor in the light of the fact that movement on other recently opened routes has been less than expected.
 - The Department of Home, GoP vide its letter dated 21/2/2007 has again reiterated the request of State government for the Corridor.
5. **To be Done** – MEA to expedite action in regard to visa liberalization.
6. **Comments-** MEA (GoI)

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ITEM 9 – DEVELOPMENT OF ON-PORT AND OFF-PORT FACILITIES AT WAGHA

(Amritsar – 24/3/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Development of on-port and off-port facilities at Wagha
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP – Department of Home
 - GoI - Ministry of Home Affairs
3. **Scope of Work-(Rs. 87 Cr)** Integrated development of Wagha ICP - Segregation of goods & passenger traffic, acquisition of land for parking, expansion of immigration, customs and security halls, reduction in waiting time for immigration and custom formalities, animal quarantine station, enlargement of area for witnessing the beating retreat etc.
4. **Progress** –
 - A core committee under Secretary (Border Management), MHA, comprising of representatives of GoP, MEA, MOC, Dept of Revenue, MoRT, Railways stands constituted and its first meeting was held on 18/4/2006.
 - RITES and ILFS were appointed as consultants to prepare DPR for the integrated development at Wagha/ Attari. The DPR for the project has since been finalized by RITES/ILFS and sent to Punjab Government. Land measuring 45 hectares is to be acquired for which the Department of Home, GoP issued a notification on 15/12/2006 and SDM Amritsar II has been appointed as Land Acquisition Collector.
 - Secretary MHA during his visit to Punjab on 6/12/2006 informed the State government that the Union Cabinet has approved Rs 87 crore project for Wagha. However, formal intimation in this regard is yet to be received.
 - CS Punjab vide his DO dated 30/10/2006 has suggested to Secretary BM that RITES be entrusted the responsibility of preparing a report for off-port facilities at Wagha. CS Punjab vide his letter dated 9/1/2007 has requested the DC Amritsar to have a composite plan for the development of Off-Port facilities at Wagha prepared from the Senior Town Planner. The plan is under preparation.
 - State government is constructing a toilet block for the visitors at an estimated cost of Rs. 50 lac. The work is in progress and will be completed by 31/5/2007. Besides Rs. 1.25 Cr is being spent for upgrading the infrastructure of Neel Chameli Complex at the border being run by the Tourism Department of the GoP. The State Level Task Force and District Level Committee have been constituted on 1/6/2006. The meeting of Task Force under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary Punjab was held on 17/7/2006.

5. To be Done –

- MHA to finalise the action plan on the report of RITES & start work on the Project. (MHA)
- State Home Department to decide if the development Plan of Off-Port facilities is to be given to RITES. Department of Home, GoP to go through the report of RITES and identify/ initiate work on the items concerning the state government. The department should examine if the report envisages integrated development of the port including off port facilities and development of the hinter land. If not, the state government can engage the services of RITES for this purpose. The composite plan for the development of Off-Port facility to be finalized by the State government.

6. Comments- Action to be taken by MHA (GoI).

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ITEM 10 – UPGRADATION OF FACILITY AT ATTARI RAILWAY STATION

(Amritsar – 24/3/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Upgradation of facility at Attari Railway Station
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Home
 - GoI - Ministry of Railways & Ministry of Home Affairs
3. **Scope of Work** –(**Rs. 19 Cr**) Upgradation of infrastructure at Attari railway station encompassing all facilities for easy and fast immigration and custom clearance and for the convenience and comfort of the passengers.
4. **Progress** –
 - Ministry of Railways have finalised a project for upgradation of infrastructure at Attari Railway station at an estimated cost of Rs. 19 crore. Implementation is to be undertaken with cost sharing between MHA & Railways. Chairman Railway Board in the meeting of 8/8/2006 in PMO indicated that the work would start on the ground by December 2006.
 - Chairman Railway Board also informed that timings have been changed so that the detention of the train at Attari has been decreased from ten hours to seven hours. Railways are in touch with Pak Railways to further reduce this time to four hours.
 - State government has completed the work of widening/ strengthening the 1.8 km Wagha-Attari road at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.7 crores.
5. **To be Done** – Ministry of Railways to start the work. (Ministry of Railways)

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**ITEM 11- SETTING UP OF NATIONAL AGRI-FOOD BIO-TECHNOLOGY
INSTITUTE (NABI)**
(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. Announcement – Government of India will do all that is possible to establish the proposed Bio-Technology Hub in Punjab so that Punjab can be Bio Technology Hub not only in India but also in the World. It includes setting up of National Agri-food Bio-Technology Institute (NABI).

2. Nodal Ministry/Department –

- GoP- Dept of Science, Technology and Environment
- GOI –Dept of Bio Technology (DBT)

3. Scope of Work- The cost of project is likely to be Rs. 300 crore. GoI is to setup and run the NABI. State government share would be in the form of land. Land requirement is - about 130 acres including land for Bio-Tech Park. The focus of the institute would be on post harvest processing using biotechnological innovations.

4. Progress –

- Pursuant to the PMs announcements, DBT, GoI constituted a Joint Working Group to prepare the project proposal for setting up of NABI in Punjab with a focus on agriculture and agro/food processing for value addition using bio-technological innovations.
- The Expert Committee under the Joint Working Group was constituted by DBT to finalize the concept paper. It has been submitted to the Planning Commission.
- The State Government has decided to locate (1) National Agri-food Bio-Technology Institute, Bio-processing Unit and Bio-Tech Park, (2) Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, (3) National Institute of Nano Technology & (4) Premier Management Institute in Knowledge City in Sector 81, Mohali.
- The Planning Commission has set up a High-powered Coordination Committee to coordinate and synergize the establishment of national institutes in Knowledge City. The committee had met on 20/11/2006 in New Delhi. A subcommittee has also been constituted by the Planning Commission with a task to develop a detailed blue print for these institutes.
- Land measuring 391.57 acres is under acquisition in sector 81 of Mohali. Land measuring 10 acres is under court stay, leaving a balance of 381.38 acres. The High-Powered Coordination Committee of the Planning Commission in its meeting held on 16/1/2007 decided upon the apportionment of land among the four institutes as follows-

(i) IISER	125 acres
(ii) NINT	35 acres
(iii) NABI	35 acres
Bio-Processing Unit	15 acre
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(iv) Premier Management Institute	40 acres
Total	330 acres
Reserved for Commercial Use	15 acre

- The land measuring 381.38 acres has been acquired at a cost of Rs. 274.35 crore. GMADA has paid Rs. 136.55 crore which is to be reimbursed by the FD. FD itself has released remaining amount of Rs.136.55 crore. The possession of the land has been taken.
- The Member-Secretary, Planning Commission took the meeting of the Coordination Committee attended by the concerned Ministries / Departments and Chief Secretary, Punjab on April 3, 2007 in New Delhi. It was decided -
 - (a) The proposal to set up National Agri Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI), Bio-Processing Unit (BPU) & Biotech Park was approved in principle.
 - (b) Similarly, proposal to establish National Institute of Nanotechnology (NINT) has been approved in principle.
 - (c) Chief Secretary, Punjab informed the Planning Commission that the land for these institutes is ready to be handed over to the Govt. of India or the Societies to be constituted for these institutes.
 - (d) All the concerned ministries/departments were satisfied with allocation of land as approved by the Council of Ministers, Punjab in its meeting held on 26.2.2007.
 - (e) NINT would be set up as an independent institute though it can have common facilities with Indian Institute of Science Education & Research (IISER).
 - (f) It was decided to constitute an interim Cluster Governing Council for IISER, NABI, BPU, Biotechnology Park, NINT and National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPER), SAS Nagar (Mohali) for coordinated planning, establishment of institutes in Knowledge City and creating necessary interface for better performance of these institutes. This interim Governing Council will be converted into regular Cluster Governing Council with the Directors of the institutes as its members. The Governing Council would be chaired in rotation by the Directors of the institutes. The Governing Council would be given certain powers to make it more effective.
 - (g) Concerned ministries /departments were requested to expedite the selection and appointment of Directors of these institutes.
 - (h) The following time frame was decided for pursuing the establishment of these institutes;
 - i. Submission of DPRs by 20th April, 2007.
 - ii. Clearance by EFC by 30th April, 2007.
 - iii. Submission of projects for approval of the Cabinet by 15th of May, 2007.

5. To be done -

- Concerned ministries / departments of Govt. of India to submit DPRs.
- Concerned ministries / departments of Govt. of India to initiate the process for appointing Directors for the respective institutions.

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ITEM 12 – SEZ AMRITSAR

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – GoI to help the state government to set up a Special Economic Zone at Amritsar. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Industries
 - GoI – Ministry of Commerce
3. **Scope of Work-** SEZ at Amritsar spread over 1000 acres.
4. **Progress –**
 - The Board of approval for SEZ in the Ministry of Commerce granted in principle approval to 1000 acre SEZ in its meeting held on 11/3/2005. The SEZ would comprise of four sector-specific individual SEZ's for the Textile and Garments industry, Engineering industry, Food Processing industry and a Free Trade Zone.
 - State government has selected M/s DLF Universal Limited as a developer for the SEZ and the Empowered Committee of Mega projects approved a package of concessions in its meeting held on 12/1/06. The agreement was signed with DLF on 24/3/2006 in the presence of PM in Amritsar.
 - State government has agreed to acquire the land at the cost of DLF. DLF identified the land and notification under section 4 for acquisition of 1217 acres of land has since been issued on 10/8/2006.
 - GoI would be approached for SEZ approval after acquisition of land.
 - The Council of Ministers in its meeting held on 15/12/2006 decided to withdraw the land acquisition notification in view of the new land acquisition policy under which 80% of the land is to be purchased by the developers through private negotiation. Developers has represented against the decision. The Department has so far not withdrawn the land acquisition notice in view of enforcement of Model Code of Conduct during the assembly elections.
5. **To be Done** – GoP to take a view on developer's representation.

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ITEM 13 – NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - HALWARA

(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – Government of India would examine the proposal for a new airport of international standards at a suitable location in the State. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Industries & Commerce
 - GoI – Min of Civil Aviation
3. **Scope of Work-** New International Airport at Halwara (Ludhiana)
4. **Progress** –
 - It was decided in the meeting taken by PSPM on 27/2/2006 that – (a) MoD would issue NOC to the State Government and MoCA for use of Halwara Airport as an International Airport for passenger and cargo traffic. (b) The State Government would have a pre-feasibility study report completed and make it available to MoCA. (c) MoCA would obtain the necessary Cabinet approval. (d) GoP would acquire 200 acres of land and make it available free of cost to AAI.
 - MoD, GoI granted approval/NOC for the operation of Civil Domestic/ International and Cargo flights from Halwara Airfield.
 - The pre-feasibility study was got conducted by PSIDC and a revised feasibility study was conduct and submitted to MoCA/AAI on 7/9/2006.
 - A meeting was held on 12/10/2006 in PMO attended by CS Punjab and MoCA officers. It was decided that the project will be executed by AAI, state government will provide 750 acre of land free of cost and the road from Ludhiana to the Airport will be four laned. The State government was required to recast the pre-feasibility report in the light of these decisions. MoCA will seek Cabinet approval for this project.
 - The State government has revised the pre-feasibility report.
 - The Union Cabinet is yet to approve the proposal.
5. **To be Done** – Ministry of Civil Aviation, GoI to seek Cabinet approval for the project. GoP to provide 750 acre of land free of cost and carry out the four laning of the road from Ludhiana City to the Airport.

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ITEM 14 – DEVELOPMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL CLUSTER AT BATALA
(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Development of an Industrial Cluster at Batala.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Industries & Commerce
 - GoI – Min of Industries
3. **Scope of Work-**
 - Providing quality infrastructure through Public Private Partnership in a selected cluster.
 - A special purpose vehicle is to be created for developing the requisite infrastructure. GoI will give grant-in-aid to the extent of 75% of the project cost subject to a ceiling of Rs. 50 crore. The remaining 25% will be financed by other stake holders - Industrial Associations and the state government.
4. **Progress** –
 - A meeting was held on 15/12/2006 in New Delhi to examine the possibility of selective cluster at Batala under IIUS scheme in the current financial year.
 - The meeting was attended by Industrial Associations from Batala and they were asked to develop the proposal at their level and get back to the department with their views. Their response is awaited.
 - Further action will be taken on receipt of a commitment from them to contribute at least 15%, so that the state government could contribute remaining 10%.
5. **To be Done** – Department of Industries, Punjab Government to finalize the response of Industrial Association.

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**ITEM 15 – ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO TEXTILE PARKS AT LUDHIANA
AND BARNALA**

(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Establishment of two Textile Parks at Ludhiana and Barnala.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Industries & Commerce
 - GoI – Min of Textiles
3. **Scope of Work-** 2 Textile Parks to be developed at Ludhiana and Barnala
 - The Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP) is aimed at providing the industry with world class industrial facilities for setting up their Textile Unit.
 - SITP would create new Textile Parks of International Standard. The scheme is based on Public Private Partnership and envisages engagement of an agency for project execution.
 - Each Park normally has atleast 50 units.
 - The scheme will be operated through Special Purpose Vehicle and Industrial Associations would be the main promoters of ITP.
 - GoI support will be in the form of grant/ equity to the extent of 40% of the project cost subject to a ceiling of Rs. 40 crore. The remaining funds will be arranged by the state government, industrial associations, banks etc.
4. **Progress** –
 - **Ludhiana** – The Department of Industries, Punjab Government had approved 3 Mega Textile Projects. Out of this two Mega Projects, one by M/s Punjab Apparel Park Ltd (100 acre, Rs. 355 crore) and another by M/s Ludhiana Integrated Textile Park Ltd (150 acre, Rs. 1500 crore are under implementation and the 3rd by Amartex Industries Ltd (Rs. 1000 crore) is yet to be implemented.
 - **Textile Park at Barnala-** A proposal from M/s Abhishek Industry was submitted for setting up of Textile Park namely Lotus Integrated Texpark Ltd. at Dhaula, District Barnala covering an area of 100 acre with an estimate of Rs. 110 crore. Abhishek Industries Ltd. vide their communiqué dated 12/3/07 intimated that the Ministry of Textiles. GOI, have approved their proposal in the Project Approval Committee meeting dated 5/3/07 subject to the condition that the land be got registered and mutated in the name of SPV within one week
5. **To be Done** – Mega Textile Project by Amartex Industries Ltd (Rs.1000 Cr) is required to be implemented.

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ITEM 16 – UNESCO STATUS FOR SRI HARMANDIR SAHIB (DROPPED)

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – Government of India will take necessary steps for securing UNESCO heritage status for Sri Harmandir Sahib
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department**–
 - GoP - Dept of Cultural Affairs, Archaeology and Museums
 - GoI – Ministry of Culture
3. **Scope of Work**- The proposal of Sri Harmandir Sahib for inclusion in World Heritage list has been officially withdrawn by the Government of India.
4. **Progress** – The proposal of Sri Harmandir Sahib for inclusion in World Heritage list has been officially withdrawn by the Government of India.
5. **To be Done** –The proposal of Sri Harmandir Sahib for inclusion in World Heritage list has been officially withdrawn by the Government of India.
6. **Comments**- Dropped

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ITEM 17 – KHALSA HERITAGE PROJECT

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – For completing the Khalsa Heritage Project at Anandpur Sahib, Government of India will provide necessary financial assistance. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP- Dept of Cultural Affairs, Archaeology and Museums
 - GoI – Ministry of Culture
3. **Scope of Work-**
 - For completing the balance work a sum of Rs 145 crore is required.
 - GoP to contribute Rs. 96.67 crore (2/3) and GoI to contribute Rs. 48.33 crore (1/3) .

Revised Cost-	Rs.224.00 Cr
Construction Cost-	Rs.158.70 Cr
Exhibit-	Rs. 62.30 Cr
Interest (Ist Year)	Rs. 3.00 Cr
4. **Progress –**
 - 93% Civil Works have been completed.
 - During the year 2006-07, and amount of Rs.24.52 Cr has been spent on the project out of which Rs.8.17 Cr has been released by GOI as 1/3 share.
 - The Ist phase of the project completed at a cost of Rs.91 Cr was dedicated to Nation on 14/4/2006.
5. **To be Done –**
 - Construction work is likely to be completed by 31/7/2007.
 - It will take about two years for completing the exhibit designing and its installation works.

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ITEM 18 – RESTORATION OF MANUSCRIPTS

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – Restoration of Books/manuscripts removed from Golden Temple Complex during operation Blue Star during 1984
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP- Dept of Cultural Affairs Archaeology and Museums
 - GoI- Ministry of Home Affairs
3. **Scope of Work-** Restoration of Manuscripts etc. removed or found missing during army operation in 1984
4. **Progress** – Enquiry report has been sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI by CBI on 14/11/2006.
5. **To be Done** – MHA to take further action on the enquiry report.
6. **Comments-** Action to be taken by MHA.

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ITEM 19 – GURU GRANTH SAHIB INTERNATIONAL AWARD

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – Institution of Guru Granth Sahib International Award for understanding and harmony
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP- Dept of Cultural Affairs Archaeology and Museums
 - GoI- Ministry of Culture
3. **Scope of Work** – Institution of Guru Granth Sahib International Award for understanding and harmony
4. **Progress** –
 - In the meeting of Implementation Committee on 14/2/2005 under the Chairmanship of Sh. Jaipal Reddy, the then Union Minister for Culture, GoI, Hon'ble Minister (Sh. Reddy) promised to discuss this proposal with the Prime Minister before making any commitment.
 - Accordingly a DO reminder dated 6/7/2005 from Chief Minister, Punjab was sent to Sh. Reddy requesting therein to clear the proposal. Reply is still awaited.
 - A DO letter at the level of Minister of Cultural Affairs, GoP has been sent to Ms Ambika Soni, Minister of Culture, GoI, requesting her to take up this case with Hon'ble Prime Minister and get it cleared at the earliest.
5. **To be Done** – Ministry of Culture, GOI to finalise the action and clear the proposal.
6. **Comments-** Action to be taken by Ministry of Culture (GoI).

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**ITEM 20 – ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STUDIES IN
SRI GURU GRANTH SAHIB (NISSGGS)
(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)**

- 1. Announcement –**
 - Government of India will extend all possible help to set up the Institute.
 - The proposed institute would also undertake the comparative study of religion i.e. Hinduism, Islam, Jainism and Budhisim. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)

- 2. Nodal Ministry/Department –**
 - GoP - Dept of Higher Education
 - GoI - Ministry of Human Resource Development

- 3. Scope of Work –** The estimated cost of the project is Rs 62.53 crore which is to be borne by GOI. GNDU to contribute 10 acres of land for this purpose. Separate building to be constructed within GNDU Campus.

- 4. Progress –**
 - The Centre has started functioning in GNDU Campus. GNDU has earmarked a separate 10 acre piece of land for the institute.
 - GOI (UGC) has released a sum of Rs. 1 crore and more money would be released after receiving the UC of Rs. 1 crore already released.
 - Institute will be set up as registered society by MoHRD for which the matter is to be placed before Union Cabinet.
 - The Planning Commission has given in principle clearance and the matter is under consideration of the Expenditure Finance Committee of MoHRD.
 - Intimation regarding academic and non-academic staff has been sent to the Ministry of Human Resource Development on 14/9/2006.

- 5. To be Done –**
 - Expenditure Finance Committee of MoHRD to approve this project.
 - MoHRD, thereafter, to get the approval of Union Cabinet for registration & formation of the society.
 - GNDU to utilize Rs. 1Cr.

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ITEM 21 – INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH IN PUNJAB (IISER)

(Amritsar – 24/3/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Earlier announced by the President in address to Parliament on 16/2/2006.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Higher Education
 - GoI - Ministry of Human Resources Development
3. **Scope of Work** – To be setup on 200 acres of land at an estimated cost of Rs 500 crores by GoI. Share of GoP in the form of land.
4. **Progress** –
 - The Society for the Institute namely The Indian Institute of Science Education & Research Society was registered with the Registrar of Societies at Mohali on 27/12/2006. The foundation stone of the institute was laid by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 27/9/2006 in NIPER, SAS Nagar.
 - The admissions in the institute would start from the academic year 2007-08 from the temporary campus in Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Public Administration, Sector 26, Chandigarh. The State government has released a sum of Rs. 3 crore to PSIEC for furnishing the first two floors of the building. The work is likely to be completed by 30/6/2007.
 - Land – The contribution of the State government would be in the form of land. Land measuring 391.57 acres is under acquisition in sector 81 of Mohali. Land measuring 10 acres is under court stay, leaving a balance of 381.38 acres. The High-Powered Coordination Committee of the Planning Commission in its meeting held on 16/1/2007 decided upon the apportionment of land among the four institutes as follows-

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- h. The following time frame was decided for pursuing the establishment of these institutes;
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 - iii Submission of projects for approval of the Cabinet by 15th of May, 2007.

5. To be Done –

- Release of funds by MoHRD(GOI).
- Appointment of the Director.(MoHRD)
- Institute to be started and admissions made with effect from the academic session 2007-2008.

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ITEM 22 – TRANSFER OF GOBINDGARH FORT TO PUNJAB GOVERNMENT

(Amritsar – 1/9/2004)

1. **Announcement** – The request of Punjab Government regarding handing over to them the Gobindgarh Fort will be taken up with the Ministry of Defence (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP - Dept of Defence Services Welfare
 - GoI – Ministry of Defence.
3. **Scope of Work** - Army to return the Gobindgarh Fort to Punjab government. The Punjab Government intends to conserve the Fort built by Maharaja Ranjit Singh and open it for public viewing.
4. **Progress** –
 - Sanction of GoI to transfer the fort along with 32.80 acres of land was received on 7/4/2006. GOI had initially agreed to hand over the fort along with 32.80 acres of land. It was found inadequate by the State government and subsequently on 2/11/2006, GOI approved the transfer of fort along with land measuring 47.978 acres. This transfer is subject to the condition that the State government will construct security walls & roads and install security lights around the Fort.
 - Case regarding funds amounting to Rs. 2 Cr which was given by the PWD (B&R) has been approved by the Planning Department. Finance Department has released a sum of Rs. 1 crore and the Defence Services Welfare Department is taking up the constructional work in a phased manner through PWD.
 - Proposal regarding amount of Rs. 50 Cr as additional central assistance for maintenance and construction of Fort was sent to the GoI. The Planning Commission has asked the State government to include it in the proposals of ACA for the next year 2007-08.
 - The Fort was formally handed over to the State government by the Hon'ble PM on 20/12/2006 at Amritsar. The demarcation work etc is under preparation. The Fort is yet to be opened to the public.
 - The Department of Defence Services Welfare is submitting a memorandum for the transfer of Gobindgarh Fort to Tourism Department which will maintain it.
5. **To be Done** –
 - State government to complete the civil works.
 - Deputy Commissioner yet to give the exact measurement where the walls are to be raised.
 - Army to hand over the Fort for public view only after the walls are constructed.
6. **Comments** – Action on the announcement completed. Fort handed over.

ITEM 23 – SEX RATIO
(Chandigarh – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – Social campaign should be launched against female foeticide to check the adverse sex ratio in Punjab.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Health & Family Welfare.
3. **Scope of Work-** Checking the adverse sex ratio in Punjab.
4. **Progress** – Following steps have been taken by the Health Department –
 - Organizing exclusive Girl Child Competition. Total of 17,148 girl children have been honoured and a sum of Rs 67.00 lac has been utilised.
 - Multi-Media campaign against foeticide through television spots, radio jingle, wall writings/ paintings, hoardings etc. Theme based advertisement published in all leading newspapers of the regions. Three such advertisements were brought out during Navratras and Dewali. Besides this, 1445 focused group discussions, 779 Workshop/Seminars, 4438 Print Material and 166 Song and Drama Shows have been undertaken for bringing about behaviour change in the community in favour of the girl-child.
 - Balri Rakshak Yojana - Incentive of Rs. 500/- & 700/- per month is given to the couples who go for terminal method of family planning after birth of first & second female child (no male child) till the girl/girls attain the age of 18 years. Uptil now 80 families have been benefited from the scheme.
 - Janani Surkasha Yojna – The objective of the scheme is to reduce maternal and infant mortality by focusing on increased institutional delivery. It is applicable to BPL families and they are given assistance for Rs. 700/- per birth upto two births. Under this scheme Publicity has been done by putting up hoardings at all the 45 leading bus stands of the State. A road show was undertaken in the rural and urban slum areas of the State for popularizing this scheme.
 - Prizes for informers & payment to decoys- Rs 5000/- per case. 90 court cases/ FIRs have been registered and 229 suspension of registration of ultrasound centers have been done. 4 cases have been convicted uptill now.
 - Honoring of panchayats - Rs 2.5 lakh for 10 panchayats who achieved child sex-ratio above 950 and Rs 3 lakh for panchayats achieving a child sex ratio of more than 1000. Jalahmazra (District Nawanshahar) Panchayats has been given a grant of Rs.3 lakh.
 - Outcome- According to the findings of the survey conducted in July 2005, in the sub center level villages (2858) there were 817 girls to every 1000 male in the age group 0-6 as compared to the sex ratio of 798:1000 in the same age group recorded in 2001.
5. **To be Done** – To monitor the pregnancies to check female foeticide on the lines of District Nawanshahar, instruction have been issued to all the Civil Surgeons-cum-District Appropriate Authorities in the State by this department as well as from the Chief Ministers Office to monitor all pregnancies

especially any missing pregnancy during second trimester of gestation so as to identify cases of sex selective foeticide.

6. **Action taken** – Monitoring of Sex ratio in the State has been included in the State PIP under RCH Phase-II Project. Family Welfare Department has organized advocacy workshops in collaboration with the Punjab Legal Services Authority. First State level workshop was organized in December which was chaired by Hon'ble Chief Justice of India. Hon'ble Chief Justice alongwith 22 Hon'ble Judges of Punjab & Haryana High Court and the then Chief Minister were present in this workshop. Similar workshops have been held at Bathinda, Ludhiana, Nawanshahar, Ferozepur, Abohar & Faridkot presided over by Hon'ble Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court also attend these seminars.

The Programme is being reviewed regularly with the Civil Surgeons-cum-District Appropriate Authorities in the Monthly Meetings held under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary Health & Family Welfare.

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ITEM 24 – DECENTRALISED HEALTH PLAN

(Chandigarh – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – De-centralised District Health Plans should be prepared under the National Rural Health Mission, which aims to provide accessible, affordable, accountable and effective Primary Health Care.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP - Dept of Health & Family Welfare.
3. **Scope of Work** – Preparation of De-centralised District Health Plants under the National Rural Health Mission.
4. **Progress** –
 - State Health Mission headed by CM has been constituted and got registered.
 - District Health Mission under the co-chairmanship of Chairman Zila Parishad and DC have been constituted. The existing societies for various diseases/ programmes have been integrated and merged into the State Health Society/District Health Society.
 - Sub-Centers - A sum of Rs 226.80 lakh has been released by GOI for the year 2006-07 as united funds for the use of all the sub centers under NRHM.
 - PHCs/ Mini PHCs - Rs. 1.21 core as untied funds has been released by GOI for all the 484 PHCs/Mini PHCs @ Rs. 25000/- per PHC recently in the month of October 2006. Similarly Rs. 2.42 core has been released by GOI for these 484 PHCs/ Mini PHCs @ Rs. 50000/- per PHC for their annual maintenance. These funds have been placed at the disposal of Civil Surgeons
 - 116 CHCs - An amount of Rs. 23.20 crore has been received during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 from GOI for the upgradation of 116 CHCs to IPHS @ Rs. 20.00 lakh per CHC as 50% amount of Rs. 40.00 lakh each CHC to be released per CHC. The work in 34 CHCs has already been completed. The remaining 82 CHCs for upgradation of IPHS have also been identified and the estimates for these CHCs are to be prepared.
 - Rogi Kalyan Samities - Rogi Kalyan Samities have actually been constituted in all the district level hospitals. Necessary notification in this regard has been issued vide notification No. 1G/392/DG-1HB-4/28422 dated 11/12/2006. A sum of Rs. 244 lakh has been received from GOI for Rogi Kalyan Samities. These funds have been placed at the disposal of MD, PHSC, Mohali for utilization.
5. **To be Done** – Action Completed.

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ITEM 25 – NEW MEDICAL DEPARTMENT IN PGI, CHANDIGARH

(Chandigarh – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – The Government of India would help to setup new medical departments in PGI so that it continues in the forefront of medical care.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP – Dept of Health & Family Welfare
 - GoI – Ministry of Health
3. **Scope of Work-** New Departments to be setup with the help of GOI
4. **Progress** –
 - A Proposal amounting to Rs.100 crore of PGI for providing telemedicine facility, replacement/augmentation of imaging equipment and addition of new facilities in the areas of burn management, gastroenterology, hepatology and upgradation of renal transplant surgery, was forwarded to MoHFW, GoI vide DO dated 26/10/2005.
 - Planning Commission has granted in principle approval.
 - Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) of MoHFW has approved the project for Rs. 84 crore, Rs. 61 crore out of which has been demanded in the current year and the remaining Rs. 23 crores in the year 2007-08. The case has now gone to MoF for approval/ release of funds.
5. **To be Done** – MoH (GoI) to expedite the sanction and release of funds.
6. **Action taken** – The matter is being followed actively with the Govt. of India by PGI Authorities well as Health & Family Welfare Department, Punjab.
7. **Comments** - Action is to be taken by MoHFW (GoI).

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ITEM 26 – HIGH SPEED FREIGHT CORRIDOR

(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – For further improvement in infrastructure in Punjab, the Railways would examine the feasibility of extending the Delhi-Kolkatta high-speed corridor to Amritsar. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP – Dept of PWD (B&R)
 - GoI – Ministry of Railways
3. **Scope of Work-** Extension of High Speed Delhi-Kolkata Freight Corridor to Amritsar.
4. **Progress** –
 - Ministry of Railway, GoI was requested vide DO dated 20/1/2006 to examine the feasibility of extending the Delhi-Kolkata high-speed corridor to Amritsar.
 - The Ministry has agreed to extend it up to Ludhiana.
 - The matter came up for discussion in a meeting held by Member Secretary, Planning Commission in Delhi on 21/3/2006 & the request of the State for extending it to Amritsar was reiterated.
 - In the meeting held on 8/8/2006 in PMO, Chairman Railway Board stated that adequate capacity exists between Ludhiana and Amritsar to take care of the requirement for the next ten years. Extension of the freight corridor to Ludhiana is sufficient for the present.
 - PM laid the foundation stone on 27/9/2006 in Ludhiana.
5. **To be Done** – Alignment of the corridor to be finalized by the railways and they have to decide where to terminate the corridor whether at – Sahnewal, Dhandarikalan or Laddowal.
6. **Comments** - Ministry of Railways (GoI)

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ITEM 27 – ROADS
(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – Upgradation and four laning of certain roads. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD (B&R)
 - GoI - Ministry of Road Transport and Highways

27 A – Jalandhar- Amritsar road (JLD – Dhilwan Section : Bids yet to be invited)

3. **Scope of Work-** Project for four laning. Approved under NHDP-III.
 - (a) Bidhipur Railway crossing, Jalandhar to Army Public School, Dhilwan (20 km);
 - (b) Army Public School, Dhilwan to Verka Chowk, Amritsar (49 km) project for 4-laning.
4. **Progress** –
 - (a) Jalandhar- Dhilwan : Fresh bids on BOT – annuity basis are being invited.
 - (b) Dhilwan- Amritsar : Work allotted to IVR Co. Hyderabad for Rs. 263 crore. Concession period is 20 years including 30 months as construction period. Agreement signed on 30/11/2005. Work started in May, 2006. The work of shifting of utilities and cutting of trees is in progress and 90% trees have already been cut. The entrepreneur has started the work in three reaches in this section. The work is likely to be completed by February 2009.
5. **To be Done** –
 - (a) Work to be allotted for Jalandhar-Dhilwan Section. (NHAI)

27 B – Amritsar – Pathankot road (Bids yet to be invited)

3. **Scope of Work-** 101 km road link to be four laned. Approved under NHDP-III
4. **Progress** – DPR has been prepared and work is yet to be allotted by NHAI. Competent authority for Land Acquisition has been appointed and Land Acquisition papers are under preparation. The bids are yet to be invited.
5. **To be Done** – Bids to be invited and land to be acquired. (NHAI)

27 C – Chandigarh (Kurali) – Ropar – Kiratpur road

3. **Scope of Work-** Four laning of 73 Km road. Approved under NHDP-III
4. **Progress –**
 - Kurali-Kiratpur : The total length of this section is 45 km. The work has been allotted to the entrepreneur for Rs. 316 crores on BOT basis on 1/12/2006 and target date of completion is December, 2009.
 - Desu Majra – Kurali : 11 km of this section is already 4/6 lane. Bids for the remaining portion (17 km) are yet to be invited by NHAI. Concessionaire of ROB at Kurali town has filed civil suit against 4-laning of this section. Work of 4-laning will be taken up after decision of this case.
5. **To be Done –**Bids for Desu Majra – Kurali to be invited by NHAI.

27 D – Ambala – Chandigarh (Punjab Portion)

3. **Scope of Work-** Four laning of 31 km at an estimated cost Rs. 298 crore Concession period 20 years. To be 4- laned. Approved under NHDP-III.
4. **Progress –** Agreement was signed on 16/11/2005 with GMR Engineering and GMR Infrastructure, Bangalore for Rs 298 crore Concession period is 20 years including 30 months as construction period. The work is in progress. The work of flyover in Zirakpur Town has also been started. The work is likely to be completed by March, 2008.
5. **To be Done –**Work under progress.

27 E- Ludhiana – Chandigarh Road

- 3 **Scope of Work-** Length 68 km from Kharar to Ludhiana. Cost of 4- laning Rs 350 crore and cost of 6 - laning Rs 425 crore. Existing metalled width 10 meters.
4. **Progress –** MoRTH informed in the meeting on 8/8/2006 held in PMO that this road has been approved for 6 laning under NHDP – Phase V by the Committee on Infrastructure. Feasibility report will be prepared on priority.
5. **To be Done –** MoRTH, GoI to prepare the feasibility report. (NHAI)

27F - Ambala-Jalandhar road

- 3 **Scope of Work-** Ambala-Jalandhar Road to be 6 laned
4. **Progress –**

- There is a proposal to construct an Expressway between Delhi and Chandigarh. The Hon'ble PM had announced that this Expressway would be extended from Ambala to Jalandhar.
- MoRTH informed in the meeting on 8/8/2006 held in PMO that this project has been approved under NHDP – Phase V by the Committee on Infrastructure. Feasibility report will be prepared on priority.

5. **To be Done** – MoRTH, GoI to prepare the feasibility report.(NHAI)

27G –Four Laning of Ludhiana – Moga – Talwandi Highway (20/12/2006 at Amritsar)

3 **Scope of Work-** Ludhiana – Moga Highway to be 4 lanned.

4. **Progress** –

- The work is yet to be included in any National Highways Development Project (NHDP) by GoI, MoRT&H New Delhi.
- CS Punjab has written to Secretary MoRTH and CM Punjab to Union Minister, MoRTH for including this road under NHDP.

5. **To be Done** – GoI should include this work under NHDP.(NHAI)

27H - Six-Laning of Panipat – Ambala – Chandigarh Highway (20/12/2006 at Amritsar)

3 **Scope of Work-** Panipat – Ambala – Chandigarh highway to be 6 laned.

4. **Progress** –

- The work is yet to be included in any National Highways Development Project (NHDP) by GoI, MoRT&H New Delhi.

5. **To be Done** – GoI should include this work under NHDP. (NHAI)

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**ITEM 28 – 4-LANING OF NH-1 FROM VERKA CHOWK, AMRITSAR TO
WAGHA BORDER**
(Amritsar – 24/3/2006)

1. **Announcement** – 4 Laning of NH-1 from Verka Chowk, Amritsar to Wagha Border.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD (B&R)
 - GoI - Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
3. **Scope of Work-** 4-Laning of 35 km stretch of NH 1 from Verka Chowk, Amritsar to Wagha Border. The estimated cost of 4 laning is Rs. 207 crore.
4. **Progress** –
 - The Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 26/10/2006 approved the 4 laning of Amritsar – Wagha Road under BOT (Annuity) Model to be funded by the GoI. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 207 crore. The DPR has been prepared and the work is yet to be allotted by the NHAI.
 - The project was approved by the Public Private Participation Appraisal Committee (PPPAC) on 16/1/2007. The Cabinet Committee, GoI has also approved the project. Bidding process is in progress.
 - The foundation stone has already been laid by Hon'ble PM of India S. Manmohan Singh on 20/12/2006.
5. **To be Done** – Bids to be invited by NHAI.

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ITEM 29– CONSTRUCTION OF RURAL ROADS IN THE BORDER DISTRICTS

(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Construction of 500 km of Rural Roads in Border Districts.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD
 - GoI – Min of Rural Development
3. **Scope of Work-** Construction/ upgradation of important rural roads in the 4 border districts.
4. **Progress** – Detailed proposal is being finalized and will be submitted to Ministry of Rural Development, GoI shortly.
5. **To be Done** – Public Works Department of GoP to submit a proposal to Ministry of Rural Development, GoI.

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ITEM 30 – CONSTRUCTION OF 8 NEW RAIL OVER BRIDGES

(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Construction of 8 New Rail Over Bridges.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD
 - GoI – Min of Railways
3. **Scope of Work-** 8 new ROBs – ROB Bathinda (2), RUB Bathinda, ROB Lehragaga, ROB Malout, ROB Abohar, RUB Mansa & RUB Maur Mandi to be constructed.
4. **Progress** –
 - The work of 3 ROBs – 2 at Bathinda and 1 at Lehragaga & 1 RUB at Bathinda has been allotted and the work is under progress.
 - The tenders for the remaining 3 ROBs – Malout, Abohar and Mansa were received on 27/12/2006 and the work will be allotted after the completion of election process on 2/3/2007.
 - RUB at Maur Mandi has not been included in the work list of railways and it is being considered for construction as deposit work by PIDB. Tenders received on 27/12/2006 and will be allotted after the completion of the election process.
5. **To be Done** – Railways to include RUB at Maur Mandi in Bathinda District in their annual work plan.

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**ITEM 31 – MODERNIZATION OF AMRITSAR, JALANDHAR AND
LUDHIANA RAILWAY STATIONS**
(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** –Modernization of Amritsar, Jalandhar and Ludhiana Railway Stations..
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD
 - GoI – Min of Railways
3. **Scope of Work-** Modernization of Amritsar, Jalandhar and Ludhiana Railway Stations.
4. **Progress** –
 - The work is at conceptual stage.
 - Railways to intimate latest status.

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**ITEM 32 – ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOGISTICS PARK AT LADOWAL
(LUDHIANA)**
(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Establishment of a Logistics Park at Ladowal (Ludhiana).
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of PWD
 - GoI – Min of Railways
3. **Scope of Work-** Establishment of Logistics Park at the termination point of Railway Freight Corridor.
4. **Progress** –The alignment of the corridor is yet to be finalized. Only thereafter it can be decided whether to construct the Logistics Park at Ladowal or at Sahenwal/ Dhandarikalan.
5. **To be Done** – Railways to finalise the alignment.

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ITEM 33 – SUPER THERMAL POWER PLANT

(Ludhiana – 23/9/2005)

1. **Announcement** – NTPC would examine the feasibility of a coal based power plant in Punjab. (Reiterated by the Hon'ble PM on 24/3/2006 in Amritsar)
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** -
 - GoP - Dept of Power
 - GoI - Ministry of Power
3. **Scope of Work-**
 - The power plant in Punjab is not being setup. Instead Punjab would be provided 1500 MW of power from the proposed 4000 MW Lara Thermal Plant being setup by NTPC in Chhattisgarh.
 - Allocation of 1200 MW of power from other power stations in the country.
4. **Progress –**
 - Lara Plant - It has been learnt that Chhattisgarh government is demanding 12 % free power from the Power Projects in the state and this is not acceptable to NTPC/Ministry of Power. The project may therefore not take off. GoI is requested to reallocate 1500MW of power from other on-going projects of NTPC which are scheduled to be commissioned in the next 2-3 years.
 - NTPC & GOI had confirmed 1500 MW of power for Punjab from the Lara Plant in Chattisgarh. PSEB has been asked to sign PPA with NTPC but no draft PPA has been received from NTPC. Union Power Minister announced during his visit to Punjab on 22/9/2006 that GoI would adhere to its commitment and provide 1500 MW of power from the Lara Plant and if there is any problem, then from the other thermal power plants of NTPC.
 - Punjab is facing acute shortage of power and there are virtually no resources like coal, gas or untapped hydro potential available in Punjab State for developing additional power generating capacity. On the other hand growth rate for power demand is about 12%.
 - It is, therefore, necessary that 1500 MW power as allocated from Lara Project may be re-allocated from some other on-going project(s) of NTPC, which are scheduled to be commissioned in the next 2-3 years, at least to partially mitigate the power shortage situation in the State.
 - The latest reference in this regard from Chief Secretary, Punjab to the address of Secretary Power, Govt. of India, New Delhi was made on 13/3/2007 (copy enclosed for ready reference).
 - Power from Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMP) – In the mean time the State government has got 2250 MW of power allocated from the Ministry of Power, GoI from the following 5 UMPs -

Sasan (MP)	600 MW
Mundra (Guj)	500 MW
Orissa	500 MW
Talia (JH)	450 MW
Cheur (TN)	200 MW
Total	2250 MW

- PPA for the Sasan UMPP and Mundra UMPP has been signed by PSEB. PPA for the other 3 Nos UMPPs is yet to be signed.
- Commitment amount of Rs.22.50 Cr @ Rs. 1 Cr per 100 MW have already been paid to the Power Finance Corporation , being the nodal agency.
- The power is likely to be available from 2011 onwards.
- Thermal Power Plants in Punjab – The State Government has sanctioned two coal based thermal power plants of 1200 MW capacity each at Nabha (Patiala) and Talwandi Sabo (Banwala) in Mansa District. Acquisition of land measuring 1200 acres each is under process. The State government has already approved the projects and creation of SPVs is under process. The projects are to be developed on build, own and operate (BOO) basis.
- M/s Power Financial Corporation, New Delhi have been appointed as consultants for both the Power Projects at Nabha & Banwala near Talwandi Sabo. M/s.PFC will provide the consultancy service from creation of SPVs till the selection of Developers through International Bidding on Turn Key basis for both these power projects. SPVs for these projects have been created and process of registration for the SPVs has been started. These projects are likely to be commissioned in 2011-12.

5. To be Done – Keeping in view the uncertainty of Lara Project, Ministry of Power, GOI to reallocate 1500 MW share of Punjab from any other on-going projects of NTPC at the earliest. (Ministry of Power)

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**ITEM 34 – SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR IMPROVING HEALTH AND
EDUCATION FACILITIES IN BORDER DISTRICTS**

(Amritsar- 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Special package for improving health and education facilities in border districts (137 crore).
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department -**
 - GoP - Dept of Planning
 - GoI – Planning Commission
3. **Scope of Work-** An Additional Central Assistance Rs. 137 crore received from GoI for the following seven works aimed at improving the educational and health facilities in the 4 border districts:
 - (1) Opening of new Technical Institutions (Rs. 20 crores)
 - (2) Renovation and Rehabilitation of Dispensaries (Rs. 5.15 crore)
 - (3) Mobile Dispensaries (Rs. 5 crore)
 - (4) Opening of new Public/ Primary Health Centres (Rs. 33.70 crores)
 - (5) Upgradation of Primary Schools in Border Districts (Rs. 16.35 crores)
 - (6) Additional classrooms in existing schools (Rs. 22.40 crores)
 - (7) Rural toilets in 18 Border Blocks (Rs. 34.40 crores)
4. **Progress –**
 - Planning Commission vide its letter dated 19/12/2006 approved an ACA of Rs. 137 crore in the annual plan 2006-07. Funds released by MoF, GoI vide letter F.No.44(1)PFI/2006-266 dated 16th March, 2007. Case for release of funds submitted to Finance Department. The Finance Department advised Planning Department to get the sanction revalidated for 2007-08 on 30/3/2007.
5. **To be Done –** Re-validation of the sanction by the GoI for release of funds during 2007-08 as advised by the Department of Finance, Punjab.(PD/FD)

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**ITEM 35 – UPGRADATION OF AMRITSAR AIRPORT & SETTING UP A
PERISHABLE CARGO FACILITY**

(Amritsar – 20/12/2006)

1. **Announcement** – Upgradation of Amritsar Airport and setting up a Perishable Cargo Facility.
2. **Nodal Ministry/Department** –
 - GoP - Dept of Civil Aviation
Dept of Horticulture.
 - GoI – Min of Civil Aviation
 - Min of Agriculture & Cooperation
3. **Scope of Work**- (1) Rs 100 Cr project for upgradation and (2) Rs 18 Cr for cargo Complex. (revised cost Rs.25.00 Cr)
4. **Progress** –
 - (1) Upgradation of the Rajasansi Airport - Work on Rs 100 Cr upgradation project has begun and will be completed by 31/3/2008. The work comprises of –
 - (a) extension in terminal area by 31000 sq m for accommodating additional 900 persons, at present 500 persons can be accommodated in the existing 14000 sqm.
 - (b) Provision of 4 aerobridges, (c) extension of runway from 3259 m to 3658 m, (d) 4 parking bays etc. The Department of Civil Aviation, Punjab has informed that latest report on this issue is yet to be received from AAI.
 - (2) Perishable Cargo Complex – The Punjab Agro Industries Corporation (PAIC) has constructed a temporary cargo complex at an estimated cost of Rs. 2 crore and it is being run now by Council for Value Added Horticulture for establishing perishable cargo center at Amritsar Airport (CVAHP). The business has not been found to be adequate and as a result the Ministry of Agriculture, GoI has temporarily kept the construction of Permanent Cargo Complex on hold, even though GoI has already approved a sum of Rs. 18.25 crore for the permanent Perishable Cargo Complex. In the mean time, Airport Authority of India vide its letter dated 19/12/2006 has agreed to give 2 acres of land on nominal lease of 1 per annum for 7 years to CVAHP for the proposed complex. The total estimated cost is about 25 crores. The GoI is required to give green signal for the construction of the complex very soon. In view of the exports picking up significantly, CVAHP is now requesting the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperation to release the requisite funds.
5. **To be Done** – Ministry of Agriculture, GoI to give green signal for the construction of permanent perishable cargo complex at Amritsar.

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