

Budget Speech 2014-2015 (Position reported on 30th January, 2015)
(10th July 2014)

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1.	<p>8 Expenditure Management Commission The Government will constitute an Expenditure Management Commission, which will look into various aspects of expenditure reforms to be undertaken by the Government. The Commission will give its interim report within this financial year. I also propose to overhaul the subsidy regime, including food and petroleum subsidies, and make it more targeted while providing full protection to the marginalized, poor and SC/STs. A new urea policy would also be formulated.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministries/Departments: Department of Expenditure, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Department of Fertilizers]</p>	<p>Expenditure Management Commission was constituted on 4th September 2014. It has submitted its Interim Report on 17.1.2015.</p> <p>Modified Direct Benefit Transfer to LPG consumers called Pahal was launched in 54 districts on 15.11.2014. It has been launched in the remaining districts of the country from 1.1.2015.</p> <p>Formulation of New Urea Policy is in progress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
2.	<p>9 GST The debate whether to introduce a Goods and Services Tax (GST) must now come to an end. We have discussed the issue for the past many years. Some States have been apprehensive about surrendering their taxation jurisdiction; others want to be adequately compensated. I have discussed the matter with the States both individually and collectively. I do hope we are able to find a solution in the course of this year and approve the legislative scheme which enables the introduction of GST. This will streamline the tax administration, avoid harassment of the business and result in higher revenue collection both for the Centre and the States. I assure all States that government will be more than fair in dealing with them.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>The Cabinet approved the proposal for introduction of a Bill in the Parliament for amending the Constitution of India to facilitate the introduction of GST in the country on 17.12.2014. The Bill was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 19.12.2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
3.	<p>10 Tax Administration The sovereign right of the Government to undertake retrospective legislation is unquestionable. However, this power has to be exercised with extreme caution and judiciousness keeping in mind the impact of each such measure on the economy and the overall investment climate.</p> <p>(i) This Government will not ordinarily bring about any change retrospectively which creates a fresh liability. Hon'ble Members are aware that consequent upon certain retrospective amendments to the Income Tax Act 1961 undertaken through the Finance Act 2012, a few cases have come up in various courts and other legal fora. These cases are at different stages of pendency and will naturally reach their</p>	

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	<p>logical conclusion. At this juncture I would like to convey to this August House and also the investors community at large that we are committed to provide a stable and predictable taxation regime that would be investor friendly and spur growth. Keeping this in mind,</p>	
	<p>(ii) We have decided that henceforth, all fresh cases arising out of the retrospective amendments of 2012 in respect of indirect transfers and coming to the notice of the Assessing Officers will be scrutinized by a High Level Committee to be constituted by the CBDT before any action is initiated in such cases. I hope the investor community both within India and abroad would repose confidence on our stated position and participate in the Indian growth story with renewed vigour.</p>	<p>The High Level Committee has been constituted under Section 119 of the Income Tax Act on 28.8.2014 by the Central Board of Direct Taxes.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	Action completed
4.	<p>11 Advance Ruling and Other Tax Related Measures Tax demand of more than ₹4 lakh crore is under dispute and litigation before various Courts and Appellate authorities. This is one of the serious concerns of all taxpayers in this country. In order to reduce litigation in direct taxes, I propose to make certain legislative and administrative changes.</p>	<p>Sections 245-O and 245-N of the Income-tax Act have been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to provide that the "advance ruling" shall also include a determination by the Authority in relation to the tax liability of a notified resident applicant in respect of a transaction undertaken or proposed to be undertaken by him.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	Action completed
5.	<p>12 Currently, an advance ruling can be obtained about the tax liability of a non-resident from the Authority for Advance Rulings. This facility is not available to resident taxpayers except Public Sector Undertakings. I propose to enable resident taxpayers to obtain an advance ruling in respect of their income tax liability above a defined threshold. I also propose to strengthen the Authority for Advance Rulings by constituting additional benches. I further propose to enlarge the scope of the Income-tax Settlement Commission so that taxpayers may approach the Commission for settlement of disputes. This would continue to be once in a lifetime opportunity for any taxpayer.</p>	<p>Provision has been made for more than one bench of the Authority in view of the enlarged scope of AAR. The Authority shall have a Chairman and such number of Vice-Chairmen, revenue member and law member as the Central Government may appoint. Action is being taken to constitute two additional Benches.</p> <p>Section 245C of the Income-tax Act relating to Settlement Commission has been amended to enhance the scope of the Settlement Commission.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	Action partially completed
6.	<p>13 As an administrative measure, I propose to set up a High Level Committee to interact with trade and industry on a regular basis and ascertain</p>	<p>A High level Committee has been constituted vide Department of Revenue's O.M. F.No. A.50050/84/2014-Ad.I dated 26th November, 2014.</p>

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	<p>areas where clarity in tax laws is required. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, the Central Board of Direct Taxes and the Central Board of Excise and Customs shall issue appropriate clarifications, wherever considered necessary, on the tax issues within a period of two months.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	Action completed
7.	<p>14 Transfer Pricing is a major area of litigation for both resident and non-resident taxpayers. I have proposed certain changes in the Transfer Pricing regulations, which I would spell out in Part-B of my speech.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>Section 92C of the Income-tax Act has been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to provide that in respect of international transaction or specified domestic transaction undertaken on or after 01.04.2014, where more than one price is determined by the most appropriate method, the ALP shall be computed in the manner as may be prescribed.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
8.	<p>17 India today is the largest buyer of Defence equipment in the world. Our domestic manufacturing capacities are still at a nascent stage. We are buying substantial part of our Defence requirements directly from foreign players. Companies controlled by foreign governments and foreign private sector are supplying our Defence requirements to us at a considerable outflow of foreign exchange. Currently we permit 26 per cent FDI in Defence manufacturing. The composite cap of foreign exchange is being raised to 49 per cent with full Indian management and control through the FIPB route.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>The press note no.7 amending the FDI policy regarding Defence Sector was issued on 26.8.2014.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
9.	<p>18 The Insurance sector is investment starved. Several segments of the Insurance sector need an expansion. The composite cap in the Insurance sector is proposed to be increased up to 49 per cent from the current level of 26 per cent, with full Indian management and control, through the FIPB route.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Government has promulgated an Ordinance namely - the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014 on 26th December, 2014 to make amendments to the Insurance Act, 1938, the General Insurance Business (Nationalization) Act, 1972 and the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 1999 in accordance with the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill 2008 as reported by the Select Committee of the Rajya Sabha and for suitably introducing it in the Parliament in the next session.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
10.	<p>19 To encourage development of Smart Cities, which will also provide habitation for the neo-middle class, requirement of the built up area and capital conditions for FDI is being reduced from 50,000 square metres to 20,000 square metres and from USD 10 million to USD 5 million respectively with a three year post completion lock in.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>Press Note No.10 amending the FDI policy regarding Construction Development Sector was issued on 3rd December, 2014.</p> <p>Action completed</p>

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11.	<p>20 To further encourage this, projects which commit at least 30 per cent of the total project cost for low cost affordable housing will be exempted from minimum built up area and capitalisation requirements, with the condition of three year lock-in.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>Press Note No.10 amending the FDI policy regarding Construction Development Sector was issued on 3rd December, 2014</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
12.	<p>22 Bank Capitalization Financial stability is the foundation of a rapid recovery. Our banking system needs to be further strengthened. To be in line with Basel-III norms there is a requirement to infuse ₹2,40,000 crore as equity by 2018 in our banks. To meet this huge capital requirement we need to raise additional resources to fulfill this obligation. While preserving the public ownership, the capital of these banks will be raised by increasing the shareholding of the people in a phased manner through the sale of shares largely through retail to common citizens of this country. Thus, while the government will continue to have majority shareholding, the citizens of India will also get direct shareholding in these banks, which currently they hold indirectly. We will also examine the proposal to give greater autonomy to the banks while making them accountable.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>On 10.12.2014 the Cabinet has approved allowing PSBs to raise capital from public markets through FPO or QIP by diluting Government of India holding upto 52% in phased manner based on their capital requirement, their stock performance, liquidity, market appetite and subject of such other conditions that may be prescribed for efficient use of capital and resources, on case to case basis with specific approval of Finance Minister to each bank.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
13.	<p>24 Smart Cities As the fruits of development reach an increasingly large number of people, the pace of migration from the rural areas to the cities is increasing. A neo middle class is emerging which has the aspiration of better living standards. Unless, new cities are developed to accommodate the burgeoning number of people, the existing cities would soon become unlivable. The Prime Minister has a vision of developing 'one hundred Smart Cities', as satellite towns of larger cities and by modernizing the existing mid-sized cities. To provide the necessary focus to this critical activity, I have provided a sum of ₹7,060 crore in the current fiscal.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development]</p>	<p>The Concept Note on Contours of Smart City Scheme after consultations with all the stakeholders was revised on 03.12.2014. The document was uploaded on the website (www.indiansmartcities.in) for inviting further comments before it is finalized.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
14.	<p>25 e-Visa Tourism is one of the larger job creators globally. Many economies world over are supported by tourism. In order to give a major boost to tourism in India, the facility of Electronic Travel Authorization (e-Visa) would be</p>	<p>Tourist Visa on Arrival enabled with Electronic Travel Authorization has been extended to citizens of 43 countries in the first phase on 9 designated airports viz, Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Thiruvananthapuram, Cochin and Goa from 27.11.2014.</p>

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	<p>introduced in a phased manner at nine airports in India where necessary infrastructure would be put in place within the next six months. The countries to which the Electronic Travel authorisation facility would be extended would be identified in a phased manner. This would further facilitate the visa on arrival facility.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs; Ministry of External Affairs]</p>	Action completed
15.	<p>26 REITs & InvITs</p> <p>Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) have been successfully used as instruments for pooling of investment in several countries. I intend to provide necessary incentives for REITs which will have pass through for the purpose of taxation. As an innovation, a modified REITs type structure for infrastructure projects is also being announced as Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs), which would have a similar tax efficient pass through status, for PPP and other infrastructure projects. These structures would reduce the pressure on the banking system while also making available fresh equity. I am confident these two instruments would attract long term finance from foreign and domestic sources including the NRIs.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development, Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>Sections 2, 10, 47, 49, 111A, 115A of the Income-tax Act and Chapter VII of the Finance (No.2) Act, 2004 have been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014. Sections 115UA and 194LBA have been inserted in the Income-tax Act vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to give effect to these announcements.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
16.	<p>27 Kisan Vikas Patra</p> <p>Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP) was a very popular instrument among small savers. I plan to reintroduce the instrument to encourage people, who may have banked and unbanked savings to invest in this instrument.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>The necessary notification has been issued on 23.9.2014.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
17.	<p>28 Skill India</p> <p>A national multi-skill programme called Skill India is proposed to be launched. It would skill the youth with an emphasis on employability and entrepreneur skills. It will also provide training and support for traditional professions like welders, carpenters, cobblers, masons, blacksmiths, weavers etc. Convergence of various schemes to attain this objective is also proposed.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Labour & Employment Ministry of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship Youth Affairs & Sports]</p>	<p>To steer this programme, a new Ministry i.e. Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship has been created which is now fully functional.</p> <p>A multi skill development programme on mission mode for job creation and entrepreneurship for all socio-economic classes is being worked out.</p> <p>A sub-scheme has been prepared to undertake modular training courses for the unorganized sector workers in urban ITI's as a separate component in existing Skill Development Initiative Scheme. Guidelines of the sub-scheme have been issued.</p>

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		Special Training courses in the area of modern construction technology were approved by NCVT Sub-Committee on 30.10.2014.
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18.	<p>29 Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana Bulk of our farm lands are rain fed and dependent on monsoons. Therefore, there is a need to provide assured irrigation to mitigate risk. To improve access to irrigation we propose to initiate the scheme "Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana". I propose to set aside a sum of ₹1,000 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>Concept Note, Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) Note and draft Guidelines of PMKSY have been circulated to all concerned Ministries/Departments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
19.	<p>30 Swatchh Bharat Abhiyan The need for sanitation is of utmost importance. Although the Central Government is providing resources within its means, the task of total sanitation cannot be achieved without the support of all. The Government intends to cover every household by total sanitation by the year 2019, the 150th year of the Birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi through Swatchh Bharat Abhiyan.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development]</p>	<p>The Scheme has been launched on 2.10.2014. Guidelines have been issued on 28.12.2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
20.	<p>31 Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission Gujarat has demonstrated successfully the Rurban development model of urbanization of the rural areas, through which people living in the rural areas can get efficient civic infrastructure and associate services. Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission will be launched to deliver integrated project based infrastructure in the rural areas, which will also include development of economic activities and skill development. The preferred mode of delivery would be through PPPs while using various scheme funds for financing.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Rural Development]</p>	<p>A national consultation workshop was held on 8.8.2014 to elicit suggestions on the proposed scheme. Thereafter, an Expert Committee has been constituted. The matter will be taken up for EFC and Cabinet approval.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
21.	<p>32 Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana Power is a vital input for economic growth and the Government is committed to providing 24x7 uninterrupted power supply to all homes. "Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana" for feeder separation will be launched to augment power supply to the rural areas and for strengthening sub-transmission and distribution systems. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹500 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Power]</p>	<p>The Scheme has been approved by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) on 20.11.2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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22.	<p data-bbox="256 264 440 293">33 Statue of Unity</p> <p data-bbox="256 295 786 501">Government of Gujarat has embarked upon the mission to build the largest statue of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel. Sardar Patel stands as the symbol of the unity of the country. To support the Gujarat Government in this initiative to erect the Statue of Unity, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹200 crore.</p> <p data-bbox="256 533 579 591">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Culture]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 295 1477 378">A sum of ₹ 200 crore has been released on 30.9.2014 to Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel Rashtriya Ekta Trust, Gandhinagar.</p> <p data-bbox="1257 412 1477 443">Action completed</p>
23.	<p data-bbox="256 629 786 801">36 To provide credit enhancement facility for young start up entrepreneurs from Scheduled Castes, who aspire to be part of the neo-middle class, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹200 crore which will be operationalised through a scheme by IFCI.</p> <p data-bbox="256 835 751 925">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 629 1477 741">Guidelines for financial assistance to Scheduled Castes entrepreneurs were issued on 22.12.2014. A fund of ₹ 200 crore has been allocated under the Scheme in Supplementary Demands for Grants 2014-15.</p> <p data-bbox="1257 775 1477 806">Action completed</p>
24.	<p data-bbox="256 958 786 1041">37 For the welfare of the tribals "Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana" is being launched with an initial allocation of ₹100 crore.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1075 579 1133">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Tribal Affairs]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 958 1477 1041">The Scheme "Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY)" was launched on 28th October, 2014. So far ₹ 75 crore have been released to ten States having Schedule V areas.</p> <p data-bbox="1257 1075 1477 1106">Action completed</p>
25.	<p data-bbox="256 1167 651 1227">38 Welfare of Senior Citizens Varishtha Pension Bima Yojana</p> <p data-bbox="256 1229 786 1498">NDA Government during its last term in office had introduced the Varishtha Pension Bima Yojana (VPBY) as a pension scheme for senior citizens. Under the scheme a total no. of 3.16 lakh annuitants are being benefitted and the corpus amounts to ₹6,095 crore. I propose to revive the scheme for a limited period from 15 August, 2014 to 14 August, 2015 for the benefit of citizens aged 60 years and above.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1532 663 1588">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 1229 1477 1261">Varishtha Pension Bima Yojana was launched on 14.8.2014.</p> <p data-bbox="1257 1285 1477 1317">Action completed</p>
26.	<p data-bbox="256 1621 786 1951">39 A large amount of money is estimated to be lying as unclaimed amounts with PPF, Post Office, saving schemes etc. These are mostly out of investments belonging to the senior citizens and on their demise, remain unclaimed for want of relevant payment instructions. I propose to set up a committee to examine and recommend how this amount can be used to protect and further financial interests of the senior citizens. The committee will give its report not later than December this year.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1984 632 2036">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 1621 1477 1682">The Committee has been constituted. It has held two meetings on 26.9.2014 and 29.12.2014.</p> <p data-bbox="1257 1709 1477 1740">Work in progress</p>

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27.	<p>40 Government is fully committed to the social security and welfare of employees serving in the organized sector. The Government is notifying minimum pension of ₹1,000 per month to all subscriber members of EP Scheme and has made an initial provision of ₹250 crore in the current financial year to meet the expenditure. Further, increase in mandatory wage ceiling of subscription to EPS from ₹6,500 to ₹15,000 has been made and a provision of ₹250 crore has been provided in the current budget. For the convenience of the subscribers, EPFO will launch the "Uniform Account Number" Service for contributing members to facilitate portability of Provident Fund accounts.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Labour & Employment]</p>	<p>Notifications have been issued on 19.08.2014 and 22.08.2014 respectively.</p> <p>Seeding of Uniform Account Number (UAN) with Bank account and Aadhaar has been taken up for 4.25crore subscribers. Bank account seeding has been done in respect of 53% of UAN.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
28.	<p>41 Empowerment of the Differently Abled Persons</p> <p>Government will make all out efforts to create a more inclusive society for Persons with Disabilities to enable them to enjoy equal opportunities to lead an empowered life with dignity. I propose to extend the scheme for Assistance to Disabled Persons for purchase/ fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP) to include contemporary aids and assistive devices. It is also proposed to establish National level institutes for Universal Inclusive Design and Mental Health Rehabilitation and also a Centre for Disability Sports.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities]</p>	<p>Action to include High-end mobility devices, prosthetic devices & other P&O Devices is under process.</p> <p>CCEA Note has been finalized and sent to PMO and Cabinet Secretariat on 29.01.2015.</p> <p>For preparing a site specific Detailed Project Report (DPR) of a Centre for Disability Sports, Expression of Interest (Eoi) has been invited.</p> <p>"In principle" approval of the engagement of HSCC (India) Ltd for comprehensive consultancy of the project has been sought. The technical Committee has been constituted to finalize the TOR of the contracts.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
29.	<p>42 Incentives for the Visually Challenged</p> <p>The Braille Presses in the Government and private sector are not able to meet the demand of Braille Text books for the visually impaired students. It is proposed to provide assistance to the State Governments to establish fifteen new Braille Presses and modernize ten existing Braille Presses in the current financial year. Government will also print currency notes with Braille like signs to assist the visibly challenged persons.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Disability Affairs, Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Central Sector Scheme of "Support of establishment/modernization/capacity augmentation of Braille Presses" has been approved with the objectives to establish fifteen Braille Presses in States and one Braille Printing unit in UT, to modernize ten Braille Presses and to augment one Braille Press during the 2014-15.</p> <p>The draft design for Currency notes with Braille like signs has been sent to Reserve Bank of India for finalization and necessary approval of Central Board.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
30.	<p>43 Women & Child Development</p> <p>Women's safety is a concern shared by all the honourable members of this House. We need to test out different approaches that can be validated and scaled up quickly. An outlay of</p>	<p>Scheme for Safety for Women in Public Road Transport in the country has been approved by CCEA on 02.01.2014. This Scheme envisages setting up a National Level Vehicle Security & Tracking System and City Command & Control</p>

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	<p>₹50 crores will be spent by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways on pilot testing a scheme on "Safety for Women on Public Road Transport". A sum of ₹150 crores will also be spent by Ministry of Home Affairs on a scheme to increase the safety of women in large cities. It is also proposed to set up "Crisis Management Centres" in all the districts of NCT of Delhi this year in all government and private hospitals. The funding will be provided from the Nirbhaya Fund.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Ministry of Home Affairs, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Department of Economic Affairs, Delhi Government]</p>	<p>Centre with installation of GPS/CCTV/panic buttons in public road transport in the Country.</p> <p>A contract has been signed between MoRTH and Delhi Integrated Multi-Modal Transit Systems Ltd (DIMTS) to provide Project Management Consultancy for smooth implementation of the project.</p> <p>Crises Management Centres have been set up in 11 Govt. Hospitals for rapes survivals in all districts of NCT of Delhi. Advisory has been issued to all the private hospitals/nursing homes for setting up Crisis Management Centres.</p> <p>Consultations have been started with the beneficiary States/UTs in a phased manner for informing them the details of the Scheme and action required on their part for timely implementation of the Scheme.</p>
31.	<p>44 Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Yojana</p> <p>It is a shame that while the country has emerged as a major player amongst the emerging market economies, the apathy towards girl child is still quite rampant in many parts of the country. Therefore I propose to launch Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Yojana which will be a focused scheme which would help in generating awareness and also help in improving the efficiency of delivery of welfare services meant for women. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for this.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Women & Child Development]</p>	<p>Action partially completed</p> <p>The Scheme was launched on 22.1.2015.</p> <p>Action completed</p>
32.	<p>46 Rural Development Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana</p> <p>Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana initiated during the NDA-I under the stewardship of Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee has had a massive impact in improvement of access for Rural population. It is time to reaffirm our commitment to a better and more energetic PMGSY under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. I propose to provide a sum of ₹14,389 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Rural Development]</p>	<p>Joint detailed Plan/Guidelines were formulated and issued to all State Governments on 31.7.2014</p> <p>Action completed</p>
33.	<p>47 MGNREGA</p> <p>The Government is committed to providing wage and self-employment opportunities in rural areas. However, wage employment would be provided under MGNREGA through works that are more productive, asset creating and substantially linked to agriculture and allied activities.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Rural Development]</p>	<p>The notification for amendment of the Schedule -I to the MGNREGA Act, 2005 was issued on 21/7/2014.</p> <p>To facilitate States in engaging technical assistants for better technical planning and supervision of works under MGNREGA, guidelines have been issued on 21.8.2014 to allow their establishment cost as a part of material cost of works instead of administrative cost.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>

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34.	<p>48 <i>National Livelihood Mission</i> Ajeevika, the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), aims to eliminate rural poverty through sustainable livelihood options. Under this mission, Women SHGs are provided bank loans at 4% on prompt repayment in 150 districts and at 7% in all other districts. I propose to extend the provision of bank loan for women SHGs at 4% in another 100 districts. I also propose to set up a "Start Up Village Entrepreneurship Programme" for encouraging rural youth to take up local entrepreneurship programs. I am providing an initial sum of ₹100 crore for this.</p>	<p>Extension of provision of bank loan for women SHGs at 4% in 100 districts: The EFC memo has been prepared. EFC meeting is awaited.</p> <p>Startup Village Entrepreneurship Programme: A workshop has been conducted with all the stakeholders at Hyderabad on 26-27 September, 2014. A note is under preparation.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Rural Development]</p>	Work in progress
35.	<p>49 The Rural Housing Scheme has benefited a large percentage of rural population who have availed credit through Rural Housing Fund (RHF). Accordingly, I propose to increase the allocations for the year 2014-15 to ₹ 8,000 crore for National Housing Bank (NHB) with a view to expand and continue to support Rural Housing in the country.</p>	RBI has issued orders on 26th August, 2014.
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	Action completed.
36.	<p>50 <i>Watershed Development</i> To give an added impetus to watershed development in the country, I propose to start a new programme called "Neeranchal" with an initial outlay of ₹2,142 crores in the current financial year.</p>	A Cabinet Note seeking approval of Cabinet has been submitted on 29.10.2014.
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Land Resources]</p>	Work in progress
37.	<p>51 <i>Panchayati Raj</i> Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF) is being implemented in 272 backward districts in 27 States, to fill up the critical gaps in development of basic infrastructure facilities and for capacity building of Panchayats/ Gram Sabhas in backward areas. It is proposed to restructure the BRGF to address intra-district inequalities to ensure that backward sub-districts units within States receive adequate support.</p>	Draft EFC Memorandum on the restructuring of district component of BRGF programme is being finalized.
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Panchayati Raj]</p>	Work in progress
38.	<p>52 <i>Safe Drinking Water</i> Many of our drinking water sources have excess impurities like flouride, arsenic and manmade contaminations due to untreated</p>	As on 01.04.2014, there are approximately 20,000 water quality affected habitations affected with excess arsenic, fluoride, heavy metals, toxic elements, pesticides and

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	sewage, industrial effluents and leaching of pesticides and fertilizers. It is proposed to earmark ₹3,600 crore under National Rural Drinking Water Programme for providing safe drinking water in approximately 20,000 habitations affected with arsenic, fluoride, heavy/ toxic elements, pesticides/ fertilizers through community water purification plants in next 3 years.	fertilizer in the country which are yet to be provided with safe drinking water. It has been decided to provide 8-10 LPCD of safe drinking water in all such habitations in a phased manner before March, 2017. Operational Guidelines on implementation of Community Drinking Water purification Plants for providing safe drinking water in Rural India have been prepared. For providing such purification plants, funds released to the States under NRDWP 20% Quality Fund and NRDWP 5% earmarked Quality Funds are to be utilized as per NRDWP guidelines.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation]	All the State Governments have been asked to cover more habitations preferably even beyond the target fixed for the year 2014-15. During the year, 1386 habitations have been completed and by March, 2015, 4000 habitations would be completed.
		Action partially completed
39.	53 Health and Family Welfare To move towards "Health for All", the two key initiatives i.e. the Free Drug Service and Free Diagnosis Service would be taken up on priority.	An EFC Memo of National Health Assurance Mission has been circulated on 08.12.2014. The proposed components inter-alia include 'free essential drugs' and 'free essential diagnosis'.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare]	Work in progress
40.	54 In order to achieve universal access to early quality diagnosis and treatment to TB patients, two National Institutes of Ageing will be set up at AIIMS, New Delhi and Madras Medical College, Chennai. A national level research and referral Institute for higher dental studies would be set up in one of the existing Dental institutions.	ICT based pilot has been initiated to include private sector, in two districts. viz., Patna (Bihar) and Mehsana (Gujarat) and the ICT system has been tested.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Health & Family Welfare, Department of Health Research]	The proposal for setting up of two National Centres for Ageing at AIIMS, New Delhi and Madras Medical College, Chennai is under consideration.
		A Central Task Force for Up-gradation of Dental Services in India has been set up on 4th September, 2014.
		Action partially completed
41.	55 It is a matter of great satisfaction that all the six new AIIMS at Jodhpur, Bhopal, Patna, Rishikesh, Bhubaneswar and Raipur, which are part of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana, have become functional. A plan to set up four more AIIMS like institutions at Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Vidarbha in Maharashtra and Poorvanchal in UP is under consideration. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹500 crore for this. Presently 58 government medical colleges have been approved. It is also proposed to add 12 more government medical colleges. In addition, dental facilities would also be provided in all the hospitals.	Draft EFC Note has been circulated on 17.10.2014.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Health & Family Welfare]	Under the National Oral Health Programme, support to Health Facilities [District and below] on the following components of a Dental Unit is provided. The budgetary allocation is ₹ 81 crore :
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Manpower support (Dentist, Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant) (ii) Equipments including Dental Chair. (iii) Consumables for dental procedures.
		Work in progress
42.	56 For the first time, the Central Government will provide central assistance to strengthen the	Views of public/stake holders were elicited on the proposed structure for (i) Strengthening of Central Drugs Standard

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	States' Drug Regulatory and Food Regulatory Systems by creating new drug testing laboratories and strengthening the 31 existing State laboratories.	Control Organisations (CDSCO) (ii) Strengthening of States Drug Regulatory System and (iii) Strengthening of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (iv) Strengthening of States' Food Regulatory System. The draft Cabinet Note, is being finalized.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Health & Family Welfare]	Work in progress
43.	57 In keeping with the Government's focus on improving affordable healthcare and to augment the transfer of technology for better health care facilities in rural India, fifteen Model Rural Health Research shall be set up in the states, which shall take up research on local health issues concerning rural population.	12 Model Rural Health Research Units (MRHRUs) have already been sanctioned in Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Karnataka, Punjab, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Remaining 3 are expected to be approved by the end of 2014-15.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Health Research]	The individual projects sanctioned under the scheme are at various stages of implementation. Work in progress
44.	58 Education School Education Elementary education is one of the major priorities of the Government. There is a residual gap in providing minimal school infrastructure facilities. Government would strive to provide toilets and drinking water in all the girls school in first phase. An amount of ₹ 28,635 crore is being funded for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and ₹4,966 crore for Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan. A School Assessment Programme is being initiated at a cost of ₹30 crore. To infuse new training tools and motivate teachers, "Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya New Teachers Training Programme" is being launched. I am setting aside an initial sum of ₹500 crore for this.	Construction of toilets with separate girls' toilets in all schools which do not have toilets has been taken up. 1.02 lakh new girls' toilets and 1.54 lakh new boys' toilets are under construction. Public Sector Corporations have come forward in a big way to construct school toilets in response to Hon'ble Prime Minister's call. School Assessment Programme has been approved and is being rolled out. Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching has been launched on 25.12.2014.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of School Education and Literacy]	Action partially completed
45.	59 To take advantage of the reach of the IT, I propose to allocate a sum of ₹100 crore for setting up virtual classrooms as Communication Linked Interface for Cultivating Knowledge (CLICK) and online courses.	SFC process for ₹ 94 crore for capacity building is under way. Work in progress
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of School Education and Literacy]	
46.	60 Higher Education The country needs a large number of Centres of higher learning which are world class. I propose to set up Jai Prakash Narayan National Centre for Excellence in Humanities in Madhya Pradesh. I also intend to set up five more IITs in the Jammu, Chattisgarh, Goa, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala. Five IIMs would be set up in the States of Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Bihar, Odisha and	Mentor IITs/IIMs have been selected for all the institutions. Proposals for site have been received for 10 out of 11 institutions. Two sites have been finalized and another five State Site Selection visits have been completed. The remaining four Site Selection visits are underway. The EFC is under circulation for starting the academic session 2015-16 in the temporary campus. Work in progress

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	<p>Maharashtra. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹500 crore for this.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Higher Education]</p>	
47.	<p>61 Government also proposes to ease and simplify norms to facilitate education loans for higher studies.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Human Resource Development]</p>	<p>Based on the consultations between Ministry of Human Resource Development and Department of Financial Services, Indian Bankers Association (IBA) is revising the model education loan scheme and NCGTC is revising the credit guarantee scheme for education loans.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
48.	<p>62 Digital India</p> <p>There is an imminent need to further bridge the divide between digital "haves" and "have-nots". For this it is proposed to launch a pan India programme "Digital India". This would ensure Broad band connectivity at village level, improved access to services through IT enabled platforms, greater transparency in Government processes and increased indigenous production of IT hardware and software for exports and improved domestic availability. Special focus would be on supporting software product startups. A National Rural Internet and Technology Mission for services in villages and schools, training in IT skills and E-Kranti for government service delivery and governance scheme is also proposed. I have provided a sum of ₹500 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Information & Technology, Department of School Education & Literacy]</p>	<p>Digital India Programme has been approved. Follow up action is being taken with respect to each component.</p> <p>A draft Cabinet Note on e-Kranti (NeGP 2.0) has been finalized.</p> <p>EFC Note on National Information Infrastructure (NII) has been circulated.</p> <p>EFC Note on Common Services Centre 2.0 (CSC 2.0) is under finalization.</p> <p>1st meeting of the Apex Committee on Digital India Programme has been held on 26th November, 2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
49.	<p>63 A programme for promoting "Good Governance" would be launched and I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for this.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Information & Technology]</p>	<p>All concerned Ministries/Departments and States/UTs have been requested to formulate suitable project proposals for development of new applications and for replication of successful e-Governance applications in various domains. Various proposals have been already received. Two Working Group meetings have been held and 8 projects have already been recommended for approval with appropriate revisions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
50.	<p>64 Information and Broadcasting</p> <p>So far around 400 permissions for setting up of a Community Radio Stations have been issued. To encourage the growth in this sector, a new plan scheme is being taken up with an allocation of ₹100 crore. This scheme would support about 600 new and existing Community Radio Stations.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting]</p>	<p>A new scheme namely "Supporting Community Radio Movement in India" has been introduced for providing financial support to existing and new Community Radio Stations. The size of the Scheme is ₹ 100 core.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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51.	<p>65 Film & Television Institute, Pune and Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute, Kolkata are proposed to be accorded status of Institutes of national importance and a "National Centre for Excellence in Animation, Gaming and Special Effects will be set up.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting]</p>	<p>A proposal for introduction of National Institute of Film, Television and Allied Studies Bill, 2014 has been submitted for consideration of the Cabinet.</p> <p>A proposal to seek in-principle approval of NITI AYOOG for setting up of "National Centre for Excellence in Animation, Gaming and Special Effects" is being prepared.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
52.	<p>66 Urban Development Urban Renewal</p> <p>It is time that our cities and towns undergo urban renewal and become better places to live in. While developing housing and other infrastructure, both physical and economic, which can have local variations, four fundamental activities must underpin such development. These are provision of safe drinking water and sewerage management, use of recycled water for growing organic fruits and vegetable, solid waste management and digital connectivity. It is the vision of this Government that at least five hundred (500) such habitations must be provided support, while harnessing private capital and expertise through PPPs, to renew their infrastructure and services in the next ten years.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development]</p>	<p>EFC Note is being finalized for obtaining comments of the concerned Ministries/Departments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
53.	<p>67 Pooled Municipal Debt Obligation Facility</p> <p>Pooled Municipal Debt Obligation Facility: This facility was set up in 2006 with participation of several Banks to promote and finance infrastructure projects in Urban Area on shared risk basis. Present corpus of this facility is ₹5,000 crores. This Government has a major focus of providing good infrastructure, including public transport, solid waste disposal, sewerage treatment and drinking water in the urban areas. In keeping with the Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision for urban areas it is proposed to enlarge it to ₹50,000 crores with extension of the facility by five years to March 31, 2019.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development, Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Pooled Municipal Debt Obligation Facility has been enhanced to ₹ 50,000 crore as against the present corpus of ₹ 5,000 crore with extension of the facility by five years to March, 31, 2019, to promote and finance infrastructure projects in urban area on shared risk basis.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
54.	<p>68 Urban Transportation</p> <p>Urban Metro Projects have proven to be very useful in decongesting large cities. For two million plus cities, planning of metro projects must begin now. Government will encourage development of metro rail systems, including light rail systems, in the PPP mode, which will be supported by the Central Government</p>	<p>The proposal for Lucknow Metro Rail Project Phase-IA was discussed in the PIB Meeting held on 25.8.2014. ₹ 50 crore allocation has been made in the BE for 2014-15.</p> <p>Cabinet Note for Ahmedabad Metro Rail Project is under consideration. ₹ 50 crore allocation has been made in the BE for 2014-15.</p>

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	<p>through VGF. In the current financial year, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for Metro Projects in Lucknow and Ahmedabad.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development]</p>	<p>An advisory has been issued to all the State Governments on 25.8.2014 with a request to explore the possibility of having PPP model for the proposals of Metro Rail Project.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
55.	<p>69 Housing for All</p> <p>Our government is committed to endeavour to have housing for all by 2022. For this purpose, I intend to extend additional tax incentive on home loans to encourage people, especially the young, to own houses.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>Section 24 of the Income-Tax Act has been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to increase the deduction limit on account of interest on loan in respect of self occupied house property from ₹ 1.5 lakh to 2 lakh.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
56.	<p>70 I propose setting up a Mission on Low Cost Affordable Housing which will be anchored in the National Housing Bank. Schemes will be evolved to incentivize the development of low cost affordable housing. I propose to allocate this year also a sum of ₹4,000 crores for NHB with a view to increase the flow of cheaper credit for affordable housing to the urban poor/ EWS/LIG segment. I have already outlined some other incentives such as easier flow of FDI in this sector. Government is willing to examine other suggestions that would spur growth in this sector.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>RBI has allocated the funds on 26.8.2014. NHB has been asked to setup a Mission on low cost housing.</p> <p>Serial 11 above may also be seen in this regard.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
57.	<p>71 I also propose to add inclusion of slum development in the list of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities to encourage the private sector to contribute more towards this activity.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Corporate Affairs]</p>	<p>"Slum Development" has been added in Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
58.	<p>72 Malnutrition</p> <p>A national programme in Mission Mode is urgently required to halt the deteriorating malnutrition situation in India, as present interventions are not adequate. A comprehensive strategy including detailed methodology, costing, time lines and monitorable targets will be put in place within six months.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Women & Child Development]</p>	<p>The Draft Strategy Note for discussion on National Nutrition Mission has been submitted. State consultations are in progress.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
59.	<p>73 Minorities</p> <p>A programme for the up gradation of skills and training in ancestral arts for development for</p>	<p>A Scheme for "Up-gradation of Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development (USTTAD)" has</p>

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	<p>the minorities called "Up gradation of Traditional Skills in Arts, Resources and Goods" would be launched to preserve the traditional arts and crafts which are rich heritage.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Minority Affairs; Ministry of Small & Medium Enterprises]</p>	<p>been finalized. It will be rolled out soon.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
60.	<p>74 An additional amount of ₹100 crores for Modernization of Madarsas has been provided to the Department of School Education.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of School Education & Literacy]</p>	<p>EFC Note stands submitted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
61.	<p>75 III. AGRICULTURE</p> <p>Farming as an activity contributes nearly 1/6th to our National GDP and a major portion of our population is dependent on it for livelihood. It has risen to the challenge of making India largely self-sufficient in providing food for a growing population. To make farming competitive and profitable, there is an urgent need to step up investment, both public and private, in agro-technology development and creation and modernization of existing agri-business infrastructure. Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa has been at the forefront of research in this area. However, since independence only one such centre has been established. Government will establish two more such institutions of excellence on similar pattern in Assam and Jharkhand with an initial sum of ₹100 crore in the current financial year. In addition, an amount of ₹100 crores is being set aside for setting up an "Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund".</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agricultural Research & Education, Department of Agriculture]</p>	<p>400 hectare land in Hazaribag district of Jharkhand has been identified to establish an IARI like institution. Response in regard to identification of land from Government of Assam is awaited.</p> <p>A Central Sector Scheme on Promotion of National Agricultural Market through Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) for ₹ 200 crore has been approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
62.	<p>76 It is also proposed to establish Agriculture Universities in Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan and Horticulture Universities in Telangana and Haryana. An initial sum of ₹200 crores has been allocated for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agricultural Research & Education]</p>	<p>State Agricultural University i.e. ANGRAU will be established at Lam Village in Guntur district. Necessary steps are being initiated to release funds.</p> <p>Government of Rajasthan has identified lands for establishing State Agricultural University in Baran and Jhalawad Districts respectively.</p> <p>Government of Telangana has prepared Plan of action and identified land in Medak district for Horticulture University.</p> <p>Govt. of Haryana has prepared DPR and Work Plan to establish Horticulture University. A High Level Committee has been constituted to finalize the details.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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63.	<p>77 Deteriorating soil health has been a cause of concern and leads to sub optimal utilization of farming resources. Government will initiate a scheme to provide to every farmer a soil health card in a Mission mode. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for this purpose and an additional ₹56 crores to set up 100 Mobile Soil Testing Laboratories across the country. There have also been growing concerns about the imbalance in the utilization of different types of fertilizers resulting in deterioration of the soil.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>The Scheme "Soil Health Card" will be rolled out shortly.</p> <p>Funds have been released to 12 States for setting up of 47 Mobile Soil Testing Laboratories.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
64.	<p>78 Climate change is a reality which all of us have to face together. Agriculture as an activity is most prone to the vagaries of climate change. To meet this challenge, I propose to establish a "National Adaptation Fund" for climate change. As an initial sum an amount of ₹100 crore will be transferred to the Fund.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change, Department of Agricultural Research & Education]</p>	<p>Draft EFC Memo for "National Adaption Fund" has been circulated.</p> <p>SFC proposal for NAF for Climate Risk in Agriculture amounting to ₹ 100 crore has been formulated and is in advanced stage of processing.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
65.	<p>79 We are committed to sustaining a growth of 4% in Agriculture and for this we will bring technology driven second green revolution with focus on higher productivity and include "Protein revolution" as an area of major focus.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>Pulses are a major source of protein in India. Increasing production and productivity of pulses is being carried out through NFSM-Pulses. It is implemented in 615 districts of 27 States for increasing the production & productivity of pulses.</p> <p>Additional area coverage for increasing pulses production during Rabi/Summer 2014-15 is also being implemented for ₹ 224.42 crore.</p> <p>Adaptive research projects are being implemented to reduce the gaps of potential yield and yield realized at farmers' field.</p> <p>Efforts are being made to promote area expansion in rice fallows and cultivation of pulses as inter-crop with oilseeds/commercial crops/coarse cereals etc.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
66.	<p>80 As a very large number of landless farmers are unable to provide land title as guarantee, institutional finance is denied to them and they become vulnerable to money lenders' usurious lending. I propose to provide finance to 5 lakh joint farming groups of "Bhoomi Heen Kisan" through NABARD in the current financial year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>A State wise target for financing 5 lakh Joint Farming Groups through Joint Liability Group mode financing has been communicated. The SLBCs have been advised by NABARD to communicate bank wise targets in each State and monitor the progress.</p> <p>RBI has issued a circular on 13.11.2014 to all banks for financing of Joint farming group of "Bhoomi Heen Kisan".</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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67.	<p>81 Price volatility in the agriculture produce creates uncertainties and hardship for the farmers. To mitigate this I am providing a sum of ₹500 crore for establishing a Price Stabilization Fund.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>The draft Guidelines of Price Stabilization Fund have been posted on website inviting comments from all stakeholders by 02.02.2015. Guidelines will be finalized thereafter.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
68.	<p>82 The farmers and consumers' interest will be further served by increasing competition and integrating markets across the country. To accelerate setting up of a National Market, the Central Government will work closely with the State Governments to re-orient their respective APMC Acts., to provide for establishment of private market yards/ private markets. The state governments will also be encouraged to develop Farmers' Markets in town areas to enable the farmers to sell their produce directly.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation]</p>	<p>16 States have reformed their APMC Acts in respect of permitting direct marketing, contract farming and setting up of private markets and 9 of them have implemented Rules in this regard.</p> <p>States are being urged periodically to adopt reforms on the lines of the Model Act and beyond.</p> <p>A central sector scheme on Promotion of National Agricultural Market through Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) has been launched to facilitate to integrate the markets across the country to move towards a National Market through adoption of reforms and creating appropriate e-market platforms in States.</p> <p>States are being constantly advised to adopt the model and services of SFAC to develop the Farmers' Markets.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
69.	<p>83 I also propose to set aside a sum of ₹50 crores for the development of indigenous cattle breeds and an equal amount for starting a blue revolution in inland fisheries.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries]</p>	<p>Administrative approval of and guidelines for implementation of the scheme for 'National Kamdhenu Breeding Centre' have been issued on 22.12.2014. States have been requested to submit proposals under the scheme.</p> <p>It has been decided to implement the "Blue revolution" through National Fisheries Development Board, with a provision of ₹50 crores.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
70.	<p>84 Agriculture Credit Banks are providing strong credit support to the agriculture sector. A target of ₹8 lakh crore has been set for agriculture credit during 2014-15 which, I am confident, the banks will surpass this.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Agency wise targets have been allotted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
71.	<p>85 Interest Subvention Scheme for Short Term Crop Loans Under the Interest Subvention Scheme for short term crop loans, the banks are extending loans to farmers at a concessional rate of 7%. The farmers get a further incentive of 3% for timely repayment. I propose to continue the Scheme in 2014-15.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Cabinet has approved the proposal on 10.12.2014. Guidelines have been issued on 18.12.2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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72.	<p data-bbox="256 264 783 293">86 Rural Infrastructure Development Fund</p> <p data-bbox="256 297 783 562">NABARD operates the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), out of the priority sector lending shortfall of the banks, which helps in creation of infrastructure in agriculture and rural sectors across the country. I propose to raise the corpus of RIDF by an additional ₹5,000 crores from the target given in the Interim Budget to ₹25,000 crores in the current financial year.</p> <p data-bbox="256 595 783 651">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p data-bbox="815 297 1477 327">RBI has allocated ₹ 25,000 crore on 20.8.2014.</p> <p data-bbox="1254 353 1477 383">Action completed</p>
73.	<p data-bbox="256 685 783 714">87 Warehouse Infrastructure Fund</p> <p data-bbox="256 719 783 954">Increasing warehousing capacity for increasing the shelf life of agriculture produces and thereby the earning capacity of the farmers is of utmost importance. Keeping in view the urgent need for availability of scientific warehousing infrastructure in the country, I propose an allocation of ₹5,000 crore for the fund for the year 2014-15.</p> <p data-bbox="256 987 783 1043">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p data-bbox="815 719 1477 797">RBI has allocated ₹ 5,000 crore on 20.8.2014. Guidelines of the NABARD warehousing scheme have since been issued by NABARD.</p> <p data-bbox="1254 837 1477 866">Action completed</p>
74.	<p data-bbox="256 1077 783 1106">88 Creation of Long Term Rural Credit Fund</p> <p data-bbox="256 1111 783 1402">The share of long term investment credit in agriculture is going down as compared to short term crop loan. This is severely hampering the asset creation in agriculture and allied activities. In order to give a boost to long term investment credit in agriculture, I propose to set up "Long Term Rural Credit Fund" in NABARD for the purpose of providing refinance support to Cooperative Banks and Regional Rural Banks with an initial corpus of ₹5,000 crore.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1435 783 1491">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p data-bbox="815 1111 1477 1140">RBI has allocated ₹ 5,000 crore on 20.8.2014.</p> <p data-bbox="1254 1167 1477 1196">Action completed</p>
75.	<p data-bbox="256 1525 783 1554">89 Allocation of STCRC (Refinance) Fund</p> <p data-bbox="256 1559 783 1794">The Short Term Cooperative Rural Credit (STCRC) - Refinance Fund was announced in Union Budget 2008-09 with initial corpus of ₹5,000 crore. In order to ensure increased and uninterrupted credit flow to farmers and to avoid high cost market borrowings by NABARD, I propose to allocate an amount of ₹50,000 crore for STCRC Fund during 2014-15.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1827 783 1883">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p data-bbox="815 1559 1477 1588">RBI has allocated ₹ 50,000 crore on 20.8.2014.</p> <p data-bbox="1254 1621 1477 1650">Action completed</p>
76.	<p data-bbox="256 1917 783 1973">90 Producers Development and Upliftment Corpus (PRODUCE)</p> <p data-bbox="256 1977 783 2038">The issue of profitability of small holding based agriculture has assumed importance in view of</p>	<p data-bbox="815 1977 1477 2038">Appraisal note seeking approval of Committee on Non Plan Expenditure (CNE) on PRODUCE has been considered in</p>

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	<p>increasing proportion of small and marginal farmers in the country. I propose to supplement NABARD's Producers' organization development fund for Producer's development and upliftment called PRODUCE with a sum of ₹200 crore which will be utilized for building 2,000 producers organizations across the country over the next two years.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>its meeting held on 27.1.2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
77.	<p>91 Food Security Government is committed to reforms in the food sector. Restructuring FCI, reducing transportation and distribution losses and efficacy of PDS would be taken up on priority.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Food & Public Distribution]</p>	<p>A High Level Expert Committee was constituted on 01.09.2014 to make recommendations on unbundling/restructuring of FCI.</p> <p>Many steps have been taken by FCI to reduce the Transportation and Distribution losses.</p> <p>With a view to modernize the system, the Government is implementing a Plan Scheme on 'End-to-end Computerisation of TPDS Operations' on cost sharing basis wherein technical and financial assistance is being given to States/UTs.</p> <p>Best practices implemented by States and UTs in TPDS are being shared through advisories, guidelines, conferences etc. from time to time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
78.	<p>92 Government is also committed to provide wheat and rice at reasonable prices to the weaker sections of the society. Even if due to inadequate rainfall there is a marginal decline in agriculture production, stocks in the Central pool are adequate to meet any exigency. Government shall, when required, undertake open market sales to keep prices under control.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Food & Public Distribution]</p>	<p>Foodgrains are being provided to the States/UTs for distribution to the people at highly subsidized prices of Re.1/2/3 per Kg for coarse grains/wheat/rice respectively as per the National Food Security Act.</p> <p>So far 11 States/UTs have implemented NFSA.</p> <p>Additional quantities of foodgrains have been allocated for distribution to Below Poverty Line and Above Poverty Line families from August, 2014 in the States/UTs where NFSA has not been implemented.</p> <p>Foodgrains have also been allocated to the States for festival, calamities etc. and 50 lakh tons of foodgrains have been allocated under Other Welfare Schemes.</p> <p>The Government has started sale of 100 lakh MT wheat under Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) during the year 2014-15. A quantity of 23.08 lakh MT of wheat has been sold under the scheme upto first week of January, 2015.</p>
79.	<p>93 Kisan TV Kisan TV, dedicated to the interests of the agriculture and allied sector will be launched in the current financial year. This will disseminate real time information to the farmers information regarding new farming techniques, water conservation, organic farming etc. I</p>	<p>SFC Meeting held on 5.11.2014 gave 'in-principle' approval to launch Kisan Channel scheme. Soft launch of the channel is proposed from 23.3.2015 and firm launch is expected on 13/14th April 2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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	<p>propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting]</p>	
80.	<p>94 IV. INDUSTRY</p> <p>The eBiz platform aims to create a business and investor friendly ecosystem in India by making all business and investment related clearances and compliances available on a 24x7 single portal, with an integrated payment gateway. All Central Government Departments and Ministries will integrate their services with the eBiz platform on priority by 31 December this year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>Integration of the 13 priority Central services with e-Biz is at an advanced stage. Those which will be shortly ready for public launch include 3 MCA services, 2 CBDT services, 2 RBI services and EPFO services. The ESIC service was launched on 12.12.2014.</p> <p>Work relating to integration of other Services is at an advanced stage.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
81.	<p>95 A National Industrial Corridor Authority, with its headquarters in Pune, is being set up to coordinate the development of the industrial corridors, with smart cities linked to transport connectivity, which will be the cornerstone of the strategy to drive India's growth in manufacturing and urbanization. I have provided an initial corpus of ₹100 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>A Memorandum for EFC on formation of the National Industrial Corridor Development Authority has been submitted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
82.	<p>96 The Amritsar Kolkata Industrial master planning will be completed expeditiously for the establishment of industrial smart cities in seven States of India. The master planning of three new smart cities in the Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor region, viz., Ponneri in Tamil Nadu, Krishnapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Tumkur in Karnataka will also be completed.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>DMICDC is in process of appointing consultant for undertaking feasibility study of Amritsar Kolkata Industrial Corridor.</p> <p>Master Planning for three industrial nodes in the Chennai Bengaluru Industrial Corridor region is likely to be completed by March 2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
83.	<p>97 The perspective plan for the Bengaluru Mumbai Economic corridor (BMEC) and Vizag-Chennai corridor would be completed with the provision for 20 new industrial clusters.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>The perspective planning of BMEC project has been initiated by the DMICDC and is in advanced stage. The draft perspective planning of BMEC has been submitted by DMICDC.</p> <p>Feasibility study has been entrusted to Asian Development Bank. ADB has submitted the Report of Conceptual Development Plan of VCIC region. Out of four nodes namely Vishakhapatnam, Kakinada, Gannavaram and Kankipadu and Srikalahasti-Yerpedu. ADB would prioritize two nodes namely Vishakhapatnam and Srikalahasti-Yerpedu for master planning.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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84.	<p>98 Kakinada, its adjoining area and the port will be developed as the key drivers of economic growth in the region with a special focus on hardware manufacturing.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion]</p>	<p>As per the Report of Conceptual Development Plan of VCIC region out of four nodes namely Vishakhapatnam, Kakinada, Gannavaram and Kankipadu and Srikalahasti-Yerpedu identified by ADB in their CDP-VCIC region, ADB would prioritize two nodes namely Vishakhapatnam and Srikalahasti-Yerpedu for master planning.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
85.	<p>99 Exports cannot be exponentially increased unless the states play a very active role in export promotion by providing good infrastructure and full facilitation. It will be our endeavor to engage with the states to take India's exports to a higher growth trajectory. It is proposed to establish an Export promotion Mission to bring all stakeholders under one umbrella.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Commerce]</p>	<p>A workshop of the Principal Secretaries of 14 States of Industries and Commerce Departments was held on 25.7.2014 for mainstreaming of States to boost exports. Commerce Secretary has written to Chief Secretaries of 15 States to mainstream States to expand exports. The State Governments have been advised to appoint an Export Commissioner for coordination of all export related activities.</p> <p>Nodal Officers in DoC have been tasked to emphasize development of an Export Strategy by the State Government during their SLEPC meetings chaired by Chief Secretaries of the respective State Governments.</p> <p>The issue regarding establishment of an export promotion Mission to bring all stakeholders under on umbrella is being taken care of in the Foreign Trade Policy through a proposed structure by the DGFT.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
86.	<p>100 Special Economic Zones The Government is committed to revive the Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and make them effective instruments of industrial production, economic growth, export promotion and employment generation. For achieving this, effective steps would be undertaken to operationalize the Special Economic Zones, to revive the investors' interest to develop better infrastructure and to effectively and efficiently use the available unutilized land.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Commerce]</p>	<p>Following measures have been undertaken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Mapping of activities related to SEZ Developers and Units has been completed and timelines for completion of the said activities have also been finalized and implemented in all the Zones. Activities which are being taken up for Digitization and Online processing of works relating to SEZ Developers and Units has been finalized. A module is being prepared by NSDL for Online processing activities for adoption and implementation in all SEZs. A pilot module on digitization and online processing of works related to SEZ developers and units was launched in SEEPA SEZ, Mumbai in 12.9.2014. On the basis of feedback on the performance of the module, it will be replicated in all the Zones. ◆ All DCs have been directed to constantly interact with Developers for speedy operationalisation of all non-functional SEZs. <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
87.	<p>101 Apprenticeship Comparing the size of the Indian economy, the performance of the Apprenticeship Training Scheme is not satisfactory and a large number of training facilities in the industry are unutilized. Apprenticeship Act will be suitably amended to make it more responsive to industry and youth. We will also encourage MSMEs to avail of the benefits of this scheme.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Labour & Employment; MSME]</p>	<p>In order to make the Apprentices Act, 1961 more responsive to industry and youth, the Apprentices (Amendment) Bill, 2014 has been further amended and brought into effect w.e.f. 22.10.2014.</p> <p>In addition, action has been taken on the scheme of sharing of 50% of prescribed stipend by the Central Government for 1,00,000 apprentices to be engaged by manufacturing and other Enterprises.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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88. 102	<p>Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises sector SMEs form the backbone of our Economy. They account for a large portion of our industrial output and employment. The bulk of service sector enterprises are also SMEs. Most of these SMEs are Own Account Enterprises. Most importantly a majority of these enterprises are owned or run by SCs, STs and OBCs. Financing to this sector is of critical importance, particularly as it benefits the weakest sections. There is need to examine the financial architecture for this sector. I propose to appoint a committee with representatives from the Finance Ministry, Ministry of MSME, RBI to give concrete suggestions in three months.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>The Committee has been constituted. It held a meeting on 5.11.2014. The report of the Committee is awaited.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
89. 103	<p>Promotion of entrepreneurship and start-up Companies remains a challenge. While there have been some efforts to encourage, one principal limitation has been availability of start-up capital by way of equity to be brought in by the promoters. In order to create a conducive eco-system for the venture capital in the MSME sector it is proposed to establish a ₹10,000 crore fund to act as a catalyst to attract private Capital by way of providing equity, quasi equity, soft loans and other risk capital for start-up companies.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises]</p>	<p>A fund with corpus of ₹ 10,000 crore has been established with SIDBI from contributions of priority sector shortfall of banks. The tenure of the deposits will be for a period of three years or as decided by the RBI from time to time.</p> <p>The scheme has been formulated. RBI's comments have been received.</p> <p>The matter with regard to the source of investment is under consideration.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
90. 104	<p>To establish technology centre network to promote innovation, entrepreneurship and agro-industry, I propose to set up a fund with a corpus of ₹200 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises]</p>	<p>Fund for Promoting Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Agro-Industry has been formulated.</p> <p>The MSMEs had detailed consultations with different Ministries and Departments to operationalize the Fund. The draft scheme has been uploaded on to the website for eliciting comments from various stakeholders. In parallel, the SFC Memorandum has been circulated to various Ministries for inter-Ministerial consultations. A contest for Name, Logo and Tagline for the proposed scheme has been set up on MyGov Platform.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
91. 105	<p>The definition of MSME will be reviewed to provide for a higher capital ceiling. A programme to facilitate forward and backward linkages with multiple value chain of manufacturing and service delivery will also be put in place.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises]</p>	<p>The draft Amendment Bill to change the definition of MSME has been circulated to all the concerned Ministries/ Departments, State Governments and other stakeholders for comments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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92. 106	<p>Entrepreneur friendly legal bankruptcy framework will also be developed for SMEs to enable easy exit. A nationwide "District level Incubation and Accelerator Programme" would be taken up for incubation of new ideas and providing necessary support for accelerating entrepreneurship.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>The draft Amendment Bill, along with a background note, has been circulated to all the concerned Ministries for comments.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
93. 107	<p>Textiles</p> <p>I propose to set up a Trade Facilitation Centre and a Crafts Museum with an outlay of ₹50 crore to develop and promote handloom products and carry forward the rich tradition of handlooms of Varanasi, where I also intend to support a Textile mega-cluster. I also propose to set up six more Textile mega-clusters at Bareilly, Lucknow, Surat, Kuttch, Bhagalpur, Mysore and one in Tamil Nadu. I am allocating a sum of ₹200 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Textiles]</p>	<p>The SFC in its meeting held on 05.01.2015 has appraised the scheme, "setting up at Trade Facilitation Centres & Craft Museum" at Badalpur, Varanasi at a total cost of ₹ 200 crore.</p> <p>Textile Mega Cluster, Varanasi- Projects are at different stages of implementation. Total amount released ₹ 33.10 crore, 51,936 handloom parts distributed, 2308 Battery Linked Inverter Lighting Units distributed, yarn supplied worth ₹ 171 crore etc. 2458 weavers provided credit. Eols have been invited through advertisement published on 02.01.2015 for engaging designers in the Varanasi mega Handloom Cluster. Also 6 common Facility Centres are being set up.</p> <p>Textile Mega Cluster Lucknow, Bareilly and Kutch: Preliminarily survey work has been completed. Project implementation through SPV in collaboration with State Government is under progress. Diagnostic study and DPR is being prepared by National Centre for Design and Product Development (NCDPD), New Delhi. Implementation shall commence thereafter. The formation of the SPV for the implementation and execution of the Mega Cluster has been initiated and the memorandum of Association and rules and regulations are under formation/ submission for the formation of SPV.</p> <p>Textile Mega Cluster in Bhagalpur: Agreement with NIFT, Patna has been signed for engaging them as Cluster Management & Technical Agency (CMTA). Baseline survey of cluster is in progress. CMTA is likely to submit the DPR by 15.01.2015.</p> <p>Textile Mega-cluster in Tamil Nadu: Agreement with M/s Tamil Nadu Handloom development Corporation as CMTA has been signed. Revised DPR submitted to the Project Approval and Monitoring Committee for approval.</p> <p>Textile Mega Cluster of Surat (Gujarat): The bid for CMTA is under process.</p> <p>Textile Mega Cluster, Mysore: Karnataka State Textiles Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (KSTIDC) has been finalized as CMTA. Work is underway for preparing detailed Project Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
94. 108	<p>I also propose to set up a Hastkala Academy</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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	<p>for the preservation, revival, and documentation of the handloom/handicraft sector in PPP mode in Delhi. I have set aside a sum of ₹30 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Textiles]</p>	<p>The EFC Memorandum stands submitted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in process</p>
95. 109	<p>I propose to start a Pashmina Promotion Programme (P-3) and a programme for the development of other crafts of Jammu & Kashmir. I am setting aside a sum of ₹50 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Textiles]</p>	<p>Pashmina Promotion Programme(P-3) has been launched on 8.10.2014. Guidelines approved by the Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles.</p> <p>National Centre for Design and Product Development as nodal Agency is to be appointed for undertaking baseline survey/Diagnostic study for J&K craft projects and support the formation of SPV and preparation of DPR. An amount of ₹ 25.50 lakh has been released.</p>
96. 110	<p>V. INFRASTRUCTURE</p> <p>India has emerged as the largest PPP market in the world with over 900 projects in various stages of development. PPPs have delivered some of the iconic infrastructure like airports, ports and highways which are seen as models for development globally. But we have also seen the weaknesses of the PPP framework, the rigidities in contractual arrangements, the need to develop more nuanced and sophisticated models of contracting and develop quick dispute redressal mechanism. An institution to provide support to mainstreaming PPPs called 3P India will be set up with a corpus of ₹500 crores.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p> <p>The Cabinet Note on Setting up of the 3P India Institution is ready. The Cabinet Note shall be sent to the Cabinet Secretariat in February, 2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
97. 111	<p>Shipping</p> <p>A policy for encouraging the growth of Indian controlled tonnage will be formulated to ensure increase in employment of the Indian seafarers. Development of ports is also critical for boosting trade. Sixteen new port projects are proposed to be awarded this year with a focus on port connectivity. ₹11,635 crore will be allocated for the development of Outer Harbour Project in Tuticorin for phase I. SEZs will also be developed in Kandla and JNPT. A comprehensive policy will also be announced to promote Indian ship building industry in the current financial year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Shipping, Department of Commerce]</p>	<p>(i) Allowing Indian Shipping companies to flag their tonnage abroad- Policy decision has been taken and notification has been issued by the DG (Shipping) on 23.07.2014.</p> <p>(ii) Development of Ports: 11port projects have been awarded.</p> <p>(iii) Development of Outer Harbour Projects in Tuticorin for Phase I: This project has been posed to Government of Japan for JICA Official Development Assistance loan for ₹ 5686 crore on November 5, 2014.</p> <p>(iv) The SEZ at JNPT was launched on 16.8.2014.</p> <p>“In principle” approval of Ministry of Commerce has been extended upto July, 2015 for Kandla Port Trust.</p>

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		(i) Draft Cabinet note on "New Ship building development scheme" has been circulated for inter-ministerial consultations.
98. 112	<p>Inland Navigation Development of inland waterways can improve vastly the capacity for the transportation of goods. A project on the river Ganga called 'JalMargVikas' (National Waterways-I) will be developed between Allahabad and Haldia to cover a distance of 1620 kms, which will enable commercial navigation of at least 1500 tonne vessels. The project will be completed over a period of six years at an estimated cost of ₹4,200 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Shipping]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p> <p>Process of establishment of Project Monitoring has been completed. EOI for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)/Environmental Management Plan was issued in the second week of September 2014. The response to EOI has been received. IWAI has listed the consultants for preparation of DPR and EIA/EMP study.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
99. 113	<p>New Airports Despite increase in air connectivity air travel is still out of reach of a large number of aspirational Indians. Scheme for development of new airports in Tier I and Tier II will be launched for implementation through Airport Authority of India or PPPs.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Civil Aviation]</p>	<p>It has been decided to develop 'No frills' airports in Tier II and Tier III cities across the country keeping the criteria of population, distance and the potential for tourism and industry. So far 50 locations have been identified.</p> <p>Five airports viz., namely Hubli and Belgaum in Karnataka; Kishangarh in Rajasthan; Jharsuguda in Odisha and Tezu in Arunachal Pradesh have been identified for construction of small airports for commencement of work during 2014-15 and the work has already been started by Airports Authority of India. The remaining 45 locations will be reviewed based on the broad criteria of minimum population of 10 lacs, tourism potential, viability of airport operations, details of flight movement in the past etc.</p>
100. 114	<p>Roads sector Roads sector constitutes a very import artery of communication in the country. The sector had taken shape from 1998-2004 under NDA-I. The sector again needs huge amount of investment along with debottlenecking from maze of clearances. I propose investment in National Highways Authority of India and State Roads of an amount of ₹37,880 crores, which includes ₹3,000 crores for the North East. During CFY a target of NH construction of 8500 km will be achieved.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Road Transport & Highways]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action Completed</p> <p>Till December, 2014, 2475 km. highway has been constructed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
101. 116	<p>Power To promote cleaner and more efficient thermal power, I propose to allocate an initial sum of ₹100 crore for preparatory work for a new scheme "Ultra-Modern Super Critical Coal Based Thermal Power Technology."</p>	<p>EFC has approved the proposal of R&D project for development of Advanced Ultra Super-Critical Technology for Thermal Power Plants on a Mission Mode.</p>

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102. 117	<p data-bbox="256 293 783 353">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Heavy Industries]</p> <p data-bbox="256 477 783 898">Coal Comprehensive measures for enhancing domestic coal production are being put in place along with stringent mechanism for quality control and environmental protection, which includes supply of crushed coal and setting up of washeries. The existing impasse in the coal sector will be resolved and adequate quantity of coal will be provided to power plants which are already commissioned or would be commissioned by March 2015, to unlock dead investments. An exercise to rationalize coal linkages which will optimize transport of coal and reduce cost of power is underway.</p> <p data-bbox="256 927 783 987">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Coal]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 264 1477 353">BHEL has been requested to start the important project activities related to the R&D project. After approval of CCEA, ₹ 100 crore, will be released to BHEL.</p> <p data-bbox="810 383 1477 412">A draft CCEA note has been submitted.</p> <p data-bbox="1265 441 1477 470" style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p> <p data-bbox="810 535 1477 624">Action for timely implementation of various projects as per production plan for reaching 1 billion tonnes by 2019-20 will be taken after approval by CIL Board.</p> <p data-bbox="810 654 1477 808">To bring about improvement in the quality of coal supply, the system of Third Party Sampling was introduced w.e.f. 01.10.2013. Power utilities like NTPC and others are in the process of selecting the third party agencies thorough tendering process.</p> <p data-bbox="810 837 1477 898">The Coal Mines (Special provisions) Ordinance, 2014 has been promulgated.</p> <p data-bbox="810 927 1477 1043">E-auction of the coal blocks has been initiated. The power plants which are already commissioned or would be commissioned by March, 2015 can participate in competitive bidding.</p>
103. 118	<p data-bbox="256 1077 783 1592">New & Renewable Energy New and Renewable energy deserves a very high priority. It is proposed to take up Ultra Mega Solar Power Projects in Rajasthan, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, and Laddakh in J&K. I have set aside a sum of ₹500 crores for this. We are launching a scheme for solar power driven agricultural pump sets and water pumping stations for energizing one lakh pumps. I propose to allocate a sum of ₹400 crores for this purpose. An additional ₹100 crore is set aside for the development of 1 MW Solar Parks on the banks of canals. Implementation of the Green Energy Corridor Project will be accelerated in this financial year to facilitate evacuation of renewable energy across the country.</p> <p data-bbox="256 1621 783 1682">[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of New & Renewable Energy]</p>	<p data-bbox="810 1137 1477 1256">The Scheme for Development of Solar Parks and Ultra Mega Solar Power Projects was approved by the Cabinet in its meeting held on 10.12.2014 . The guidelines of the Scheme were issued on 12.12.2014</p> <p data-bbox="810 1285 1477 1469">The scheme of Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) for providing subsidy for solar pumps has been integrated with the Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Drinking Water Supply so that drip irrigation, water harvesting etc. are combined with solar pumps to give a complete solution to the farmer.</p> <p data-bbox="810 1498 1477 1682">A sanction was issued on 5.12.2014 for the implementation of a "Pilot-cum-Demonstration Project for Development of Grid Connected Solar PV Power Plants on Canal Banks and Canal Tops" in the country during the 12th Plan Period at an estimated cost of ₹ 975 crores and with Central Financial Assistance of ₹ 228 crores.</p> <p data-bbox="810 1711 1477 1800">Tendering for inter-state transmission schemes has been done by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited in July, 2014.</p> <p data-bbox="810 1830 1477 1919">CCEA in its meeting held on 10.12.14 has approved the NCEF support of ₹ 637.2 crore to Tamil Nadu. Tamil Nadu has started the tendering process.</p> <p data-bbox="810 1948 1477 1977">Action for the current year is completed</p>
104. 119	<p data-bbox="256 2013 783 2042">Petroleum & Natural Gas</p>	Action completed

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	<p>It is my Government's intention to accelerate production and exploitation of Coal Bed Methane reserves. The possibility of using modern technology to revive old or closed wells will also be explored to maximize production from such fields.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas]</p>	<p>A comprehensive note for CCEA to seek amendment of the CBM policy is under preparation, which will also address the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Allow exploration and exploitation of CBM from areas under coal mining lease allotted to different companies, both in the public and private section. (ii) In order to incentivize investment for production of CBM the contractor would be allowed to sell gas based on price bidding without following any allocation priority. (iii) Simplification of the existing CBM contracts to eliminate micro management of operations. (iv) To put in place a workable mechanism for resolving the issue of overlap of CBM and coal/oil and gas blocks
105.	<p>120 The usage of PNG will be rapidly scaled up in a Mission mode as it is "clean" and efficient to deliver.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p> <p>Policy guidelines have been framed in August 2014 to supply domestic gas through GAIL (India) Ltd. to City Gas Distribution (CGD) entities. The domestic gas is supplied to meet 100% requirement of CNG (transport) and domestic PNG segments based on last six monthly consumption data by the respective CGD networks. GAIL has been allowed to meet 10% additional demand of CGD sector (CNG & domestic PNG) by supply of domestic gas. 1.9 lakh PNG households are being added in the nine months of FY 2014-15. Around 27.37 lakh household in 11 states are using PNG supplies. CGD networks are also supplying CNG to 22 lakh vehicles through 969 filling stations in the country. CGD network is also catering to the gas demand of 28000 industrial and commercial gas customers.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Road Map for expansion of PNG coverage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cities which are in the vicinity of existing and proposed trunk pipelines have been identified. ii. Since there is clarity that domestic gas would be made available for this sector, PNGRB has been advised to schedule the bidding process in a manner so as to first cover the cities in the vicinity of existing pipelines. iii. In cities that would fall in the vicinity of proposed pipelines, PNGRB has been requested to synchronize the bidding process with the development of the pipeline. <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
106.	<p>121 We have at present about 15,000 km of gas pipeline systems in the country. In order to complete the gas grid across the country, an additional 15,000 km of pipelines are required.</p>	<p>The following pipelines have been identified for developing a Gas Grid:</p>

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	<p>It is proposed to develop these pipelines using appropriate PPP models. This will help increase the usage of gas, domestic as well as imported, which, in the long-term will be beneficial in reducing dependence on any one energy sources.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas]</p>	<p>Pipeline Systems Kakinada- Haldia Kakinada- Chennai Chennai-Tuticorin Jagdishpur-Haldia Barauni-Guwahati Surat-Paradip Mallavaram-Bhilwara Mehsana-Bathinda Bahtinda-Srinagar Kochi-Bengaluru-Managluru Spurlines (phase-I) TOTAL</p>	<p>Length (in KM) 1100 600 670 2050 800 2050 1584 1670 740 1348 2500 15112</p>
		<p>GAIL has been identified as the "sponsoring authority" for implementing Ranchi-Talcher-Paradip pipeline section on a pilot basis through PPP mode with VGF.</p>	
107.	<p>122 Mining</p> <p>It is my Government's intention to encourage investment in mining sector and promote sustainable mining practices to adequately meet the requirements of industry without sacrificing environmental concerns. The current impasse in mining sector, including, iron ore mining, will be resolved expeditiously. Changes, if necessary, in the MMDR Act, 1957 would be introduced to facilitate this.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Mines]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p> <p>The Mines and Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 has been amended and the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2015 has been promulgated on 12.1.2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>	
108.	<p>123 Revision of Royalty Rate</p> <p>There have been requests from several State Governments to revise rate of Royalty on minerals. Hon'ble Members are aware that rate of Royalty can be revised after a period of three years. Last revision took place in August, 2009. Therefore, another revision, which is due, will be undertaken to ensure greater revenue to the State Governments.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Mines]</p>	<p>The Second Schedule and Third Schedule to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 have been amended. Notification was issued on 1.9.2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>	
109.	<p>124 VI. FINANCIAL SECTOR Capital Market</p> <p>Financial sector is at the heart of the growth engine. Globalization helps channelize external savings to India to bridge the resource gap but also renders the financial sector vulnerable to the vagaries of the global economy. We have seen this in the recent past in ample measure. It is essential to strengthen and modernize the legislative regulatory framework. There are some important recommendations of the Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission like the enactment of the Indian Financial Code which is considered necessary</p>	<p>Task Forces for laying down the roadmap for upgrading the existing Securities Appellate Tribunal to the Financial Sector Appellate Tribunal and establishing new agencies like, the Resolution Corporation, the Public Debt Management Agency and Financial Data Management Centre have been set up on 30th September 2014. The Task Forces are likely to submit their reports by 30 September 2015.</p> <p>The draft Indian Financial Code is being fine-tuned on the basis of comments from all stakeholders. Timelines have</p>	

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	<p>for better governance and accountability. It will be my endeavor to complete the ongoing process of consultations with all the stakeholders expeditiously on this. It is also essential to have a modern monetary policy framework to meet the challenge of an increasingly complex economy. Government will, in close consultation with the RBI, put in place such a framework.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>been decided for various steps involved in legislating the Indian Financial Code.</p> <p>Agreement on Monetary Policy between Government and RBI is being finalized.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
110. 125	<p>While the impact of the above measures will be felt in the medium term, towards the same objective, I propose to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Advise financial sector regulators to take early steps for a vibrant, deep and liquid corporate bond market and deepen the currency derivatives market by eliminating unnecessary restrictions. ii. Extend a liberalized facility of 5% withholding tax to all bonds issued by Indian corporate abroad for all sectors and extend the validity of the scheme to 30.06.2017. iii. Liberalize the ADR/GDR regime to allow issuance of depository receipts on all permissible securities. iv. Allow international settlement of Indian debt securities. v. Completely revamp the Indian Depository Receipt (IDR) and introduce a much more liberal and ambitious Bharat Depository Receipt (BhDR). vi. Clarify the tax treatment on income of foreign fund whose fund managers are located in India to resolve a long-standing problem. Details will be presented in Part B. <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs, Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>Sub-Committee of Standing Council of Experts on Indian Financial Sector is expected to shortly submit report comprising policy proposals on revamping the currency derivatives market by eliminating unnecessary restrictions. The matter was also discussed by the FSDC and RBI/SEBI are being advised to take necessary action.</p> <p>Standing Councils meeting to be held soon to discuss the report of the Sub--committee</p> <p>Section 194LC of the Income-tax Act has been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to give effect to these announcements.</p> <p>Revised ADR/GDR scheme has been accepted and will be notified shortly after the enabling amendments are made by RBI and SEBI.</p> <p>Deliberations are going on with RBI and SEBI to finalize and implement Euroclearability of Indian Debt Securities.</p> <p>Sahoo Committee (Phase II, part I) Report on IDR has been received and uploaded on Ministry of Finance's website for seeking public views and comments.</p> <p>Section 2(14) of the Income-tax Act has been amended vide Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 to give effect to this announcement.</p>
111. 126	<p>The Indian capital markets have been a source of risk capital for a growing India. I propose to take a number of measures to further energize these markets including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Introduction of uniform KYC norms and inter- 	<p>RBI is in the process of finalizing the common KYC template for pilot run and final implementation through CERSAI.</p> <p>The FSDC Sub-Committee, in its meeting held on 9.8.2014 decided the project would be limited to viewing financial</p>

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	<p>usability of the KYC records across the entire financial sector.</p> <p>ii. Introduce one single operating demat account so that Indian financial sector consumers can access and transact all financial assets through this one account.</p>	<p>assets only. However, the technology for account aggregation would but be restrictive so that it can be scaled up to facilitate transactions subsequently. It was also suggested that the efforts made by other regulators like SEBI in this area could also be leveraged upon. RBI has also agreed that IRTG should move forward in setting up an enabling framework for implementing the system for account aggregation.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	Work in progress
112.	<p>127 As part of strengthening the regulatory framework for commodity markets, the Warehouse Development and Regulatory Authority (WD&RA) has begun a transformation plan to invigorate the warehousing sector and significantly improve post-harvest lending to farmers against negotiable warehouse receipts. This plan will be implemented with vigour.</p>	<p>National Institute of Public Finance & Policy (NIPFP) have held consultations with the warehouse service providers, collateral managers, banks, lawyers and commodity exchanges to study the market practices and issues in the warehousing sector with a view to frame rules and regulations that address concerns of the warehousing market.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Food & Public Distribution]</p>	<p>The tender documents have been finalized for selection of an agency to conduct a quantitative sample survey of warehousing sector in the country has also been finalized. Action has also been initiated to conduct qualitative survey of warehousing. The NIPFP will be undertaking this survey without any financial implication for the WDRA.</p>
		<p>Tender documents for hiring of a Project Consultant are being drafted.</p>
		Work in progress
113.	<p>128 There is an urgent need to converge the current Indian accounting standards with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). I propose for adoption of the new Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) by the Indian companies from the financial year 2015-16 voluntarily and from the financial year 2016-17 on a mandatory basis. Based on the international consensus, the regulators will separately notify the date of implementation of AS Ind for the Banks, Insurance companies etc. Standards for the computation of tax would be notified separately.</p>	<p>All 39 Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) have been finalized in consultation with NACAS. Roadmap for implementation of Ind AS has been announced on 2.1.2015.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Corporate Affairs; Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>Companies (Accounting Standards) Rules 2015 alongwith all Ind AS are in the process of notification.</p>
		<p>The Finance (No.2) Act, 2014 amended the provisions of section 145 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 for notification of Income Computation and Disclosure Standards (ICDS). These standards would be applicable for computation of income for financial year 2015-16 and subsequent years. Draft ICDS have been placed in public domain on 8.1.2015 for inviting comments for a period of 30 days. Efforts are being made to notify ICDS by 15th March, 2015.</p>
		Work in Progress
114.	<p>129 Banking There have been some suggestions for consolidation of Public Sector Banks. Government, in principle, agrees to consider these suggestions.</p>	<p>SBI Caps has been asked to do a feasibility study. Matter is under consideration.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	Work in progress
115.	<p>130 To provide all households in the country with</p>	

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	<p>banking services, a time bound programme would be launched as Financial Inclusion Mission on 15 August this year. It would particularly focus to empower the weaker sections of the society, including women, small and marginal farmers and labourers. Two bank accounts in each household are proposed to be opened which will also be eligible for credit.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>"Pradhan Mantri Jan-DhanYojana was launched on 28.08.2014. Under the Yojana 12.31 crore accounts have been opened till 28.01.2015 out of which 4.94 crore are in urban areas and 7.37 crore in rural areas. There are 8.30 crore accounts with zero balance and in remaining 4.01 crore accounts deposit of ₹10217.43crore has been mobilized. The average balance per account is ₹ 830.00. 99.98% Survey work has been completed. As per Survey result, out of 2105.93 lakh households, 2105.52 lakh households have been covered.</p>
116.	<p>131 Long term financing for infrastructure has been a major constraint in encouraging larger private sector participation in this sector. On the asset side, banks will be encouraged to extend long term loans to infrastructure sector with flexible structuring to absorb potential adverse contingencies, sometimes known as the 5/25 structure. On the liability side, banks will be permitted to raise long term funds for lending to infrastructure sector with minimum regulatory pre-emption such as CRR, SLR and Priority Sector Lending (PSL).</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p> <p>RBI has issued two circulars to Banks on 15th July, 2014 permitting them to raise long term funds through infrastructure bonds and providing flexibility in structuring loans to infrastructure projects.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
117.	<p>132 After making suitable changes to current framework, a structure will be put in place for continuous authorization of universal banks in the private sector in the current financial year. RBI will create a framework for licensing small banks and other differentiated banks. Differentiated banks serving niche interests, local area banks, payment banks etc. are contemplated to meet credit and remittance needs of small businesses, unorganized sector, low income households, farmers and migrant work force.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>The final guidelines on licensing of Small Finance Banks in the private sector and Payments Banks have been placed by RBI on its website on 27th November, 2014.</p> <p>Applications for setting up such banks were invited by 16th January, 2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
118.	<p>133 The rising Non Performing Assets of Public Sector Banks is a matter of concern for the Government. Six new Debt Recovery Tribunals would be set up at Chandigarh, Bengaluru, Ernakulum, Dehradun, Siliguri and Hyderabad. Government will work out effective means for revival of other stressed assets.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Cabinet note was approved by the Cabinet on 10.12.2014.</p> <p>Action is being taken for location of premises, fixing of jurisdiction & creation of posts.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
119.	<p>134 Insurance Sector Benefits of insurance in India have not reached a large section of the people and insurance penetration and density are very low. The</p>	<p>Action plan for fulfillment of this announcement has been finalised by IRDA, LIC and GIPSA companies and the matrix</p>

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	<p>Government would work towards addressing this situation in multi-pronged manner with the support of all stake holders concerned. This would include suitable incentives, using banking correspondents, strengthening micro-offices opened by public sector insurance. It is also proposed to take up the pending insurance laws (amendment) Bill for consideration of the Parliament.</p>	<p>for monitoring their performance has been sent to LIC and GIPSA companies.</p> <p>Instructions have been issued to LIC, PSGICs, AICIL and SLBC coordinators to mainstream insurance services in PMJDY</p> <p>A monthly review of performance of the Public sector insurance companies is being done.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Action partially completed</p>
120.	<p>135 As part of the legislative initiatives under financial sector reforms, it is proposed to bridge the regulatory gap under the Prize Chits and Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978. This step is expected to facilitate effective regulation of companies and entities which have duped a large number of poor and vulnerable people in this country.</p>	<p>Draft Cabinet Note and the Bill are under finalisation. Replies from Ministries/ Departments have been received. The Cabinet Note and the Bill are being finalised.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services]</p>	<p>Work in progress</p>
121.	<p>136 Small Savings To address the concerns of decline in savings rate and improving returns for small savers, I propose to revitalize small savings.</p>	<p>Action to re-vitalize small savings has been taken.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Action completed</p>
122.	<p>137 My Government attaches utmost importance to the welfare of Girl Child. A special small savings instrument to cater to the requirements of educating and marriage of the Girl Child will be introduced. A National Savings Certificate with insurance cover will also be launched to provide additional benefits for the small saver.</p>	<p>Scheme has been notified on 2nd December, 2014.</p> <p>Sukanya Samridhi Scheme was launched on 22.01.2015.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Action completed</p>
123.	<p>138 In the PPF Scheme, annual ceiling will be enhanced to ₹1.5 lakh p.a. from ₹1 lakh at present.</p>	<p>Ceiling of PPF Scheme enhanced to ₹1.5 lakh p.a. from ₹1 lakh.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Economic Affairs]</p>	<p>Action completed</p>
124.	<p>139 VII. DEFENCE & INTERNAL SECURITY There can be no compromise with the defence of our country. I therefore propose to allocate an amount of ₹ 2,29,000 crore for the current financial year for Defence.</p>	<p>Already provided in the demands of MoD.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Defence]</p>	<p>Action completed</p>
125.	<p>140 One Rank One Pension</p>	

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	<p>We reaffirm our commitment to our brave soldiers. A policy of "One Rank One Pension" has been adopted by the Government to address the pension disparities. We propose to set aside a further sum of ₹1,000 crore to meet this year's requirement.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Defence]</p>	<p>A working Group was constituted under the Chairmanship of CGDA for examining the proposal. The Working Group after deliberation suggested some possible options for implementation of One Rank One Pension (OROP). Meetings were held on 26.8.2014 under the Chairmanship of Defence Minister with Defence Secretary, Secretary (ESW), FA (DS) and CGDA on the implementation of OROP. The modalities are under consideration.</p>
126.	<p>141 Modernization</p> <p>Modernization of the armed forces is critical to enable them to play their role effectively in the Defence of India's strategic interests. I, therefore, propose to increase the capital outlay for Defence by ₹5,000 crore over the amount provided for in the interim Budget. This includes a sum of ₹1,000 crore for accelerating the development of the Railway system in the border areas. Urgent steps would also be taken to streamline the procurement process to make it speedy and more efficient.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Defence Ministry of Railways]</p>	<p>Work in progress</p> <p>It has been decided with the approval of Defence Minister to request Ministry of Finance for reversion of the allotment of ₹ 1000 crore which has been provided for Defence Rail Network in the Capital segment of Army Grant and to make dedicated non-lapsable funds available to the Railway Board for development of Strategic Railway lines.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
127.	<p>142 War Memorial</p> <p>The country is deeply indebted to the officers and the jawans of the armed forces for having made huge sacrifices to defend its honour. In doing so a very large number of them gave up their lives. It is a privilege for the nation to erect a befitting memorial in their memory. I am happy to announce that a War Memorial will be constructed in the Princes Park. It will be supplemented by a War Museum. I am allocating a sum of ₹100 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Defence]</p>	<p>The Draft Cabinet Note for the construction of National War Museum is under preparation.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
128.	<p>143 The Defence Production</p> <p>In the year 2011 a separate fund was announced to provide necessary resources to public and private sector companies, including SMEs, as well as academic and scientific institutions to support research and development of Defence systems that enhance cutting-edge technology capability in the country. However, beyond the announcement, no action was taken. Therefore, I propose to set aside an initial sum of ₹100 crore to set up a Technology Development Fund to support this objective.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Defence]</p>	<p>Consultation with stakeholders have been completed and draft Cabinet Note is being prepared.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
129.	<p>144 Internal Security</p>	

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		<p>The scheme for modernization of state police forces would be reviewed. I propose to enhance the allocation from a sum of ₹1,847 crore in the BE of 2013-14 to ₹3,000 crore in the current financial year. I am also allocating adequate funds for carrying out small but much needed developmental activities as Additional Central Assistance for Left Wing Extremist Affected districts.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>A Committee was constituted on 8th September, 2014, under the chairmanship of Additional Director General, BPR&D to make the MPF Scheme more efficient and effective. Its report has been submitted on 03.12.2014.</p> <p>Matter in regard to enhance the allocation from a sum of ₹ 1847 crore to ₹ 3000 was taken up with the Ministry of Finance for providing additional funds at RE 2014-15 stage.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
130.	145	<p>In order to strengthen and modernize border infrastructure, a sum of ₹2,250 crore has been set aside. In addition, a sum of ₹990 crore has been allocated for the socio economic development of the villages along the borders. A sum of ₹150 crore has also been ear-marked for the construction of Marine Police Station, Jetties, for the purchase of boats etc.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>Against the three allocation, sum of ₹ 914.30, ₹ 744.56 crore and ₹ 12.88 core respectively have been spent till 25.01.2015.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
131.	146	<p>National Police Memorial</p> <p>The nation is equally indebted to the officers and the jawans of the Police forces, including the central armed police forces, who are constantly engaging with the enemy within and in the process sacrificing their lives in the line of duty. I announce the construction of a befitting National Police Memorial. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹50 crores for this purpose in the current financial year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>IB is raising its proposal for renovation of National Police Memorial at Chanakyapuri, New Delhi at a cost of ₹ 53.94 crore through NBCC so that the existing structures are utilized and the design conform to the DUAC norms.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
132.	147	<p>VIII. CULTURE & TOURISM</p> <p>India's rich cultural, historical, religious and natural heritage provides a huge potential for the development of tourism and job creation as an Industry. I propose to create 5 tourist circuits around specific themes and set aside a sum of ₹500 crore for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Tourism]</p>	<p>The Scheme was appraised by the SFC in its meeting held on 18th December, 2014.</p> <p>Guidelines have been approved.</p> <p>First Meeting of National Steering Committee held on 14.01.2015.</p> <p>Mission Directorate has been set up for implementing the scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
133.	148	<p>National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) shall be launched in this financial year. A sum of ₹100 crore is being set aside for this purpose.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Tourism]</p>	<p>Guidelines have been approved.</p> <p>First Meeting of National Steering Committee (NSC) held on 14.01.2015.</p> <p>Mission Directorate has been set up for implementing the scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
134.	149	<p>National Heritage City Development and</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>

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	<p>Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) will also be launched for conserving and preserving the heritage characters of these cities. To begin with I propose to launch this programme in the cities such as Mathura, Amritsar, Gaya, Kanchipuram, Vellankani and Ajmer. I propose to set aside a sum of ₹200 crore for this purpose. The Project will work through a partnership of Government, academic institutions and local community combining affordable technologies.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Urban Development]</p>	<p>National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) has been approved. The scheme was launched on 21.1.2015.</p> <p>12 cities namely Varanasi, Amritsar, Ajmer, Mathura, Gaya, Kanchipuram, Vellankani, Badami, Amaravati, Warangal, Puri and Dwarka have been identified for development under the scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
135.	<p>150 Archeological sites preservation requires urgent attention lest our ancient heritage is lost to all future generations. For this purpose, I intend to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Culture]</p>	<p>A sum of ₹100 crore has been allocated in BE. Monuments have been identified for initiating action.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
136.	<p>151 Sarnath-Gaya-Varanasi Buddhist circuit would also be developed with world class tourist amenities to attract tourists from all over the world.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Tourism]</p>	<p>5 Circuits including Buddhist circuit have been approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
137.	<p>152 Goa has emerged as a major international convention centre. It has also been declared as the permanent venue for International Film Festival of India. There is an urgent need to develop world class convention facilities. This can best be done in close collaboration with the private sector. Government of India will fully support this initiative to develop the facilities in PPP mode through the VGF scheme.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting]</p>	<p>MoU declaring Goa as permanent venue has been signed with the Govt. of Goa.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action partially completed</p>
138.	<p>153 Water Resources and cleaning of Ganga Linking of Rivers Rivers form the lifeline of our country. They provide water not only for producing food for the multitudes but also drinking water. Unfortunately the country is not uniformly blessed with perennial rivers. Therefore, an effort to link the rivers can give rich dividends to the country. It is time that we made a serious effort to move in this direction. To expedite the preparation of the Detailed Project Reports, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation]</p>	<p>A special committee has been constituted vide notification dated 23.9.2014 to take the programme forward.</p> <p>16 Feasibility Reports have been completed of which 14 are under peninsular component and 2 under Himalayan Component (Indian side). 5 DPR's have also been completed under peninsular component till date.</p> <p>₹ 60 crore has been allocated in the current financial year 2014-15 for the work of preparation of the DPR for inter linking of river under IWRSD Component of the Plan scheme namely River basin Management.</p> <p>The Special Committee on Inter Linking of Rivers has</p>

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139. 154	<p>Sacred Rivers Substantial amount of money has been spent in the conservation and improvement of the Ganga, which has a very special sacred place in the collective consciousness of this country. However, the efforts have not yielded desired results because of the lack of concerted effort by all the stakeholders. I propose to set up Integrated Ganga Conservation Mission called "Namami Gange" and set aside a sum of ₹2,037 crores for this purpose.</p>	<p>constituted sub-committees to meet the objectives set under inter-linking of river programme. So far the DPRs for the ILR projects were being prepared by National Water Development Agency. SFC is being held for release of funds to the States for preparation of DPRs for intra-state projects by the States themselves.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation]</p>	<p>₹ 2037 crore has been allocated for this subject.</p> <p>The scheme has been appraised by EFC in its meeting held on 30th December, 2014. Cabinet note is being finalised.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
140. 155	<p>Development of Ghats and beautification of Riverfront Our Riverfronts and Ghats are not only places of rich historical heritage but many of these are also sacred. To start this process in the country, I propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for Ghat development and beautification of river front at Kedarnath, Haridwar, Kanpur, Varanasi, Allahabad, Patna and Delhi in the current financial year.</p>	<p>The scheme has been appraised by the EFC in its meeting held on 30th December, 2014. Cabinet note is under preparation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation]</p>	
141. 156	<p>NRI Ganga Fund NRIs have been a very important contributor to the development process in India, in areas such as education, health and preservation of culture. In this context, to harness their enthusiasm to contribute towards the conservation of the river Ganga, NRI Fund for Ganga will be set up which will finance special projects.</p>	<p>Cabinet has approved the scheme on 24th September, 2014.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation]</p>	
142. 157	<p>Science and Technology Technology Research Centres The Department of Science & Technology has some of country's leading research centres in the areas such as nanotechnology, materials science and bio-medical device technology. The government will strengthen at least five such institutions as Technical Research Centres to make them more effective in the</p>	<p>Each of the five Technical Research Centre proposals to be reviewed by expert committees/Task Forces/PACs. The exercise has been completed for 3 of the 5 proposals and is in progress for the remaining 2 proposals.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>

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	<p>innovation space through Public Private Partnerships.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Science & Technology]</p>	
143. 158	<p>Stimulating Investment In Biotechnology The development of biotech clusters in Faridabad and Bengaluru will be scaled up and taken to the highest international quality. This effort will include global partnerships in accessing model-organism resources for disease biology, stem cell biology and for high-end electron microscopy.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Bio-Technology]</p>	<p>For Bioscience Cluster (B-Life), necessary funds were released in first week of January, 2015.</p> <p>For NCR Biotech Science Cluster at Faridabad, financial approvals are in the final stage.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
144. 159	<p>The nascent agri-biotech cluster in Mohali will be scaled up to include plant-genetic and phenotype platforms. Secondary agriculture will be a major thrust in Mohali through collaborations in the public and private sector. In addition, two new clusters, in Pune and Kolkata will be established.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Bio-Technology]</p>	<p>Proposals for scaling up of Agri-biotech cluster in Mohali and establishment of two new clusters in Pune and Kolkata have been sent for financial approval.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
145. 160	<p>Global partnerships will be developed under India's leadership to transform the Delhi component of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB) into a world-leader in life sciences and biotechnology.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Bio-Technology]</p>	<p>Cabinet Note on ICGEB has been submitted for consideration. Necessary funds to continue activities of ICGEB have been released.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p>
146. 161	<p>Indian Space Programme Several major space missions are planned for 2014-15 which include the experimental flight of India's future heavy capacity launcher GSLV Mk-III, one commercial launch of PSLV and two more navigational satellites.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Space]</p>	<p>Two solid boosters (S-200) have been realized and assembled on mobile launch pedestal at Solid Stage Assembly Building.</p> <p>Electrical Checks and functional test with avionics assembly completed on Core liquid stage (L-110).</p> <p>Passive Cryogenic Stage (C25) is undergoing functional checks at Technical Complex.</p> <p>PSLV-C23 successfully launched French Earth Observation satellite SPOT-7 and 4 co-passenger satellites viz. NLS 7.1 & NLS 7.2 from Canada, AISAT from Germany and VELOX-1 from Singapore on June 30, 2014 from Sriharikota.</p>
147. 162	<p>Our Mars Orbiter spacecraft is in its 300 days</p>	<p>Action partially completed</p>

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	<p>long voyage to Planet Mars along the designated helio-centric trajectory. Mars Orbiter Spacecraft is expected to be orbiting around Mars on September 24, 2014.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Space]</p>	Action completed
148. 163	<p>Sports and Youth Affairs Sports Sports are an integral part of growing up and personality development. Unfortunately, in our country, sports have not been main-streamed to date. Government will set up national level Sports Academies for major games in different parts of the country to mainstream sports. Academies with international level facilities for training of accomplished athletes and for nurturing best talent in the country at junior and sub-junior level will also be set up for Shooting, Archery, Boxing, Wrestling, Weightlifting and various Track and field events.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]</p>	<p>Process for setting up Junior Sports Academies and National level Sports Academies is under progress. EFC note is likely to be finalized soon.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
149. 164	<p>Jammu & Kashmir has a lot of sporting talent which is not finding expression due to inadequate sports facilities. I propose to provide a sum of ₹200 crore for upgrading the indoor and outdoor sports stadiums to international standards in Jammu and in Kashmir Valley.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]</p>	<p>Proposal has been prepared. After its approval, NIT will be issued in consultation with the J&K State Government for selection of PSU for PMC works.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
150. 165	<p>I also propose to set up a sports university in Manipur. For this I am providing a sum of ₹100 crore in the current financial year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]</p>	<p>Location of the proposed University has been identified at 44-Yaithibi in Thoubal Sub-Division, Manipur. After the necessary infrastructure is created along with engagement of Faculty, the National Sports University would be fully functional.</p> <p>Department of Expenditure has agreed to sanction up to ₹ 50 crore for pre-investment activities.</p> <p>A separate agency, Hindustan Prefab Limited has been engaged to submit a Detailed Project Report (DPR) expeditiously.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
151. 166	<p>Unique sports traditions have developed in the Himalayan region in the countries and the states that are a part of it. To promote these, India will start an annual event to promote these games and would invite countries such as Nepal and Bhutan also to participate in addition to the Indian states such as J&K, Uttarakhand,</p>	<p>Concept note has been approved. The SFC has appraised the proposal. Draft scheme for holding the competitions has been prepared. Modalities for holding of the festival were discussed with the Secretary (Sports), Governments of Assam and Manipur on 19.1.2015. It was decided that the competitions may be held annually sometime in the month</p>

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	Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and the North Eastern States. [Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]	of October in Guwahati, Assam. For this purpose, a budget provision of ₹ 5 crore is being made. Scheme document has been approved. Work in progress
152.	167 I also propose to set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for the training of our sports women and men for the forthcoming Asian and Commonwealth games. [Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]	Allocation of ₹100 crore has been made. Action completed
153.	168 Youth Employment exchanges will be transformed into career centres and in addition for providing information about job availability. These centers will also extend counseling facilities to the youth for selecting the jobs best suited to their ability and aptitude. I have set aside a sum of ₹100 crore for this purpose. [Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Labour & Employment]	SFC for career centers has been approved as a distinct component of National Career Service Project. Guidelines for Model Career Centers have been issued. Proposals have been received and are being finalized. Work in progress
154.	169 Youth of India are pragmatic and forward looking and wish to be leaders in all fields. In order to promote leadership skills, I propose to set up "A Young Leaders Programme" with an initial allocation of ₹100 crore. [Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports]	A new Central Sector Scheme namely, 'National Youth Leaders Programme (NYLP)' was launched in December 2014. Action completed
155.	170 IX. OTHER PROPOSALS Displaced Kashmiri Migrants Displaced Kashmiri Migrants require our special support for rehabilitation. For this, I intend to provide a sum of ₹500 crore in the current financial year. [Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]	(a) Allocation of ₹500 crore has been made. (b) A proposal with financial implications of ₹ 5820 crore has been received from the Government of J&K for revision in the existing PM's Package-2008, which envisages upward revision of the scale of most of the items of existing package. (c) In view of the past experience, it has been felt that the new Package for rehabilitation of Kashmiri Migrants should be carefully finalized in consultation with the State Govt. and the representatives of the migrants. Consultations have taken place with State Government officials and representatives of the migrants and the scheme is now being finalized. The amount earmarked in the Budget 2014-15 will be utilized accordingly. (d) The Ministry of Home Affairs has accorded approval for enhancement of cash relief to the Kashmiri migrants from the present level of ₹1650/- per person per month to ₹ 2500/- per person per month.
156.	171 Conservation of Himalayas	Action partially completed

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		<p>There is a great need to increase the capacity in the country for Himalayan Studies. I propose to set up a National Centre for Himalayan Studies in Uttarakhand with an initial outlay of ₹100 crore.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change]</p>	<p>The SFC meeting is awaited.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
157.	172	<p>Academy for Customs It is proposed to set up the National Academy for Customs & Excise at Hindupur in Andhra Pradesh.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]</p>	<p>The Government of Andhra Pradesh has allotted 500 acres of land for establishment of the Academy in Palasamudram Village, Anantpur District. Further action is being taken.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
158.	173	<p>North Eastern States Organic Food North Eastern Region of India has tremendous potential for development of organic farming. With a growing global demand for organic food, people living in the NE states can reap rich harvest from development of commercial organic farming. To facilitate this, I propose to provide a sum of ₹100 crore for this purpose in the current financial year.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region]</p>	<p>An amount of ₹ 100 crore has been made available to DONER in Budget 2014-15 for promotion of organic food in north eastern region.</p> <p>Draft EFC/SFC Memo along with Concept Note for implementation of the scheme is being finalized.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
159.	174	<p>North East Railway Connectivity North Eastern Region has suffered from under development and a sense of isolation due to lack of proper connectivity. Development of rail system is urgently required to bridge this gap. I intend to expedite the development of rail connectivity in the region and for this purpose I propose to set aside an additional sum of ₹1,000 crore over and above the amount provided for in the interim Budget.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Railways]</p>	<p>There are 19 railway projects underway in the North East region, of which 9 are national projects. With higher and assured allocation and by closed monitoring of works in this region, two new lines projects have been completed i.e. Harmuti to Naharlagun (Itanagar) and (ii) Dudhnoi-Mendipather (first time BG rail link in Meghalaya in 2014-15. One gauge conversion project i.e. Rangia-Mukongselek (510km) has also been completed and full section will get commissioned during the current financial year. Lumding-Badarpur-Silchar leg of a very ambitious gauge conversion project having importance to connect the Barak Valley i.e. southern region of Assam with BG rail link to National Capital.</p> <p>Action partially completed</p>
160.	175	<p>24x7 Channel for the North East TV is a very powerful tool for the expression of cultural identities and for creating greater awareness of the richness of the diversity of our country. To provide a strong platform to rich cultural and linguistic identity of the North-East, a new 24x7 channel called "ArunPrabha" will be launched.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting]</p>	<p>SFC proposal has been received on 29.8.2014. The observation of the Ministry has been conveyed to Prasar Bharati on 24.9.2014. Matter is under consideration in Prasar Bharti.</p> <p>Work in progress</p>
161.	176	<p>Andhra Pradesh and Telangana</p>	

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	<p>My Government is committed to addressing the issues relating to development of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana in the AP Re-organization Act, 2014. Provision has been made by various Ministries/Departments to fulfill the obligation of Union Government for both the States.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>Following activities for development of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana as per the AP Re-organization Act, 2014 are being undertaken:</p> <p>Ministry of Home Affairs: Special Infrastructure Scheme in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected States, Setting up of Greyhounds Training Centre at Vizag, Establishment of National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM).</p> <p>Ministry of Urban Development: Feasibility of Metro Rail in Visakhapatnam and Guntur-Vijayawada-Tenali.</p> <p>Ministry of Railways: Establishment of a new Railway Zone, Feasibility of Rail Coach Factory in Telangana.</p> <p>Ministry of Coal: Establishment of a 4000 MW power plant in Telangana by NTPC.</p> <p>Ministry Civil Aviation: Examine feasibility of expanding Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada & Tirupathi to international standards</p> <p>Ministry of Road Transport & Highway: National Highway Authority of India will improve connectivity to backward regions of Telangana. 4207 kms. Length is Involved. Establishment of road connectivity from new Capital to Hyderabad and other important cities of Telangana.</p> <p>Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas: Establishment of a Petroleum University. Feasibility of a Greenfield Refinery in AP.</p> <p>Ministry of Shipping: Establishment of Duggurapatnam Port.</p> <p>Ministry of Human Resource Development: Establishment of institutions namely IIT, IIM, IISER, Tribal University, NIT, Central University.</p> <p>Department of Agricultural Research and Education: Establishment of Horticulture University in Telangana.</p> <p>Ministry of Power: Establishment of a 4000 MW power plant in Telengana.</p> <p>Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion: Feasibility of Vizag-Chennai Industrial Corridor.</p>
162.	<p>177 National Capital Territory of Delhi</p> <p>NCT of Delhi faces large in-migration every year. Delhi is plagued by frequent transmission related problems and issues of water distribution and supply. In order to overcome this and make Delhi a world class city, I propose to provide ₹200 crore for power reforms and ₹500 crore for water reforms.</p> <p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Delhi Government, Ministry of Water Resources, RD & GR]</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Work in progress</p> <p>Power reforms: Scheme approved. ₹ 200 crore released to Govt. of NCT of Delhi.</p> <p>Water reforms: The SFC in its meeting held on 16.12.2014, approved for ₹ 450 crore and ₹ 50 crore for Renuka dam. Payment of ₹ 270 crore was released to Govt. of NCT Delhi on 22.12.2014.</p>
163.	<p>178 In addition, to solve the long term water supply</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action completed</p>

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	<p>issues to the capital region, construction of long pending Renuka Dam would be taken up on priority. I have provided an initial sum of ₹50 crore for this.</p>	<p>The sum of ₹ 50 crore for Renuka dam has been released to Govt of NCT Delhi on 22nd Dec 2014.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Water Resources, RD & GR]</p>	<p>Action completed</p>
164.	<p>179 Andaman and Nicobar Island and Puducherry Andaman and Nicobar Island are part of our rich cultural heritage. In order to tide over communication related problems of the Island, I propose to allot a sum of ₹ 150 crore.</p>	<p>Additional 150 crore allocated to A&N Islands UT's budget by MHA.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>BSNL has come up with a proposal as under:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BSNL, will increase the bandwidth by additional 50 Mbps by end of October, 2014 by making internal adjustments in c-Band transponders of in INSAT-3C ◆ The bandwidth will be increased by another 300 mbps by end of January, 2015 by hiring additional transponders from THAICOM-6 which is expected to be launched shortly. ◆ The bandwidth capacity will be augmented by another 300 Mbps by May, 2015 by utilizing 6-8 transponders from GSAT-16 of ISRO.
		<p>A Detailed Project Report (DPR) and Memorandum for Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) received from the UT Administration in R/o Grant to BSNL for hiring of additional Satellite Transponder for improving Telecom connectivity between A&N Islands with mainland and inter Islands has been sent to DOT on 09.10.2014, with a request to examine the proposal of the UT Administration and obtain approval of EFC on the Financial implication involved in the proposal. Financial concurrence given by on 19.01.2015.</p>
		<p>Action completed</p>
165.	<p>180 Similarly, I propose to provide ₹188 crore to Puducherry for meeting commitments for Disaster preparedness.</p>	<p>Allocation of ₹188 crore was made. As requested by Government of Puducherry vide their letter dated 4th September, 2014 an amount of ₹ 88,98,62,132 on account of implementation of Coastal Disaster Risk Reduction Project was released to UT of Puducherry on 17.10.2014.</p>
	<p>[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Home Affairs]</p>	<p>Another proposal for release of ₹ 99.01 crore received from UT of Puducherry is under consideration.</p>
		<p>Action completed</p>
166.	<p>249 Faster clearance of import and export cargo reduces transaction costs and improves business competitiveness. To help achieve these objectives, measures are being initiated to extend the existing 24x7 customs clearance facility to 13 more airports in respect of all export goods and to 14 more sea ports in respect of specified import and export goods.</p>	<p>With effect from 31.12.2014, the facility of 24x7 Customs clearance for specified imports viz. goods covered by 'facilitated' Bill of Entry and specified exports of factory stuffed containers and goods exported under free Shipping Bills has been made operational at 18 sea ports. Similarly, w.e.f. 31.12.2014, the facility of 24x7 Customs clearance for specified imports viz. goods covered by facilitated Bills</p>

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	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]	of Entry and all exports of goods covered by Shipping Bills has been made operational at 17 air cargo complexes.
		Action completed
167.	250 It is also proposed to implement an 'Indian Customs Single Window Project' to facilitate trade. Under this, importers and exporters would lodge their clearance documents at a single point only. Required permissions, if any, from other regulatory agencies would be obtained online without the trader having to approach these agencies. This would reduce interface with Governmental agencies, dwell time and the cost of doing business.	A Customs Single Window Clearance Project for faster Customs clearance has been initiated. Further, a decision has also been taken to establish an online message exchange facility between Customs and Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)/ Plant Quarantine by 31/03/2015.
		Work in progress
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]	
168.	* Setting up of a special fund of ₹ 2,000 crore in NABARD for providing affordable credit to agro-processing units being designated as food parks	RBI has allocated ₹ 2,000 crore to NABARD on 26.08.2014.
		Guidelines have been issued by NABARD.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Food Processing Industries]	Action completed
169.	* Restoration of the accelerated depreciation benefit for wind energy through amendments in the Finance Bill.	The notification for restoring accelerated depreciation @80% for wind power projects installed on or after 1st April, 2014 has been issued on 16th September, 2014
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Department of Revenue]	Action completed
170.	* Establishment of drug de-addiction centres in Punjab and other parts of the country with an initial contribution ₹ 50 crore.	A meeting was held in the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India with representatives of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Government of Punjab on 07.11.2014. It was suggested that the matter may be processed through PIP-National Health Mission. The NHM team has stated that the proposal may be forwarded to AS&MD (NHM) through Principal Secretary (Health & F.W.) Government of Punjab in their PIP. Principal Secretary (Health & F.W.) Govt. of Punjab has accordingly been requested on 19th November, 2014.
	[Nodal Ministry/Department: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare]	Work in progress

* These announcements were made during the discussion on the Budget Speech in the Parliament on 18.07.2014.