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CHAPTER - 10 POWER

10.4.1 Projects currently in operation / under execution stage:

Projects under Operation/Execution

1. Integrated Kashang Hydroelectric Project (243 MW)

- Envisages development of **Kashang and Kerang streams** (tributaries of River Sutlej)
- Implemented in **three stages**
- **Stage-I (65 MW):**
 - Under **commercial operation** since **01.09.2016**
 - Energy generated (up to **31.12.2025**): **1,563.945 MU**
 - Targeted generation (up to **31.03.2026**): **1,574 MU**
 - During **FY 2025–26**:
 - KashangStage-I Generated **200.759 MU** against target of **211 MU**
 - Revenue: **₹61.79 crore (approx.)**
- **Stage-II:**
 - Involves diversion of **Kerang stream** through **K-K Link**
 - Aim: augment **Stage-I generation** to **790.93 MU annually**
 - Delays due to **litigation**, now **resolved**
 - Physical progress: **40.36 per cent** (up to **31.12.2025**)
 - Target completion: **December 2030**
- **Stage-III:**
 - **Balancing Reservoir-III** converted into **sand trap basin**
 - **SFT outfall works** nearing completion
 - Functions as **balancing reservoir** for Stage-I until Kerang inflows start
 - Enhances generation through **increased discharge and de-silting**

2. Sawra Kuddu Hydroelectric Project (111 MW)

- **Run-of-the-river scheme** on **Pabbar River** (**Shimla District, near Rohru**)
- Under **commercial operation** since **21.01.2021**
- Energy generation:
 - Up to **31.12.2025**: **1,543.32 MU**
 - Target up to **31.03.2026**: **1,596 MU**
- During **FY 2025–26**:
 - Generated **303.03 MU**

- Against target of **329 MU**
- Revenue: **₹136 crore (approx.)**

3. Sainj Hydroelectric Project (100 MW)

- Executed on **EPC(Enginnering, Procurement and Construction) mode**
- Under **commercial operation** since **04.09.2017**
- Energy generation:
 - Up to **31.12.2025**: **3,046.82 MU**
 - Target up to **31.03.2026**: **2,744.89 MU**
- During **FY 2025–26**:
 - Generated **109.50 MU**
 - Against target of **418 MU**
 - Revenue: **₹35.47 crore (approx.)**
- **Damage and restoration:**
 - Suffered **extensive damage** due to **cloudburst** in **Jiva Nallah** (**August 2025**)
 - **Restoration completed**
 - Project restored to operation on **23.01.2026**

4. Shongtong Karchham Hydroelectric Project (450 MW)

- Being developed as a **run-of-the-river scheme** on **River Sutlej** (**Kinnaur District**)
- Features:
 - **Diversion barrage** near **Powari village**
 - **Underground powerhouse** on left bank near **Ralli village**
- Designed generation: **1,578.95 million units (MU) annually**
- **Gross head**: **129 m**
- **Physical progress**: **63.55 per cent** (as on **31.12.2025**)
- **Scheduled commissioning**: **December 2026**

5. Renukaji Dam HEP (40 MW)

- **National Importance storage project** on **Giri River** (**Sirmaur district**)
- Features:
 - **148 m high earth-cum-rockfill dam**
 - **0.498 BCM live storage**
- Benefits:
 - Supply **23 cumecs drinking water** to **Delhi**
 - Generate **200 MU power annually** for **Himachal Pradesh**
- Status:
 - Received **all statutory and financial approvals**

- Foundation stone laid (December 2021)
- ₹3194.96 crore utilized so far
- Tendering for initial construction works underway

6. Thana Plaun HEP (191 MW)

- Proposed as Storage-cum-Run-of-River scheme on River Beas (Mandi district)
- Features:
 - 107 m high RCC gravity dam
 - Annual generation: 661 MU (90 per cent dependable year)
- Status:
 - Received Techno-Economic Clearance (CEA)
 - Received environmental and Stage-I forest clearances
 - Land acquisition and R&R in progress
 - Funding tied up with:
 - REC
 - Power Finance Corporation (PFC)
 - Submitted to ADB through DEA

7. Kishau Dam Project (422 MW)

- Proposed on River Tons along Himachal Pradesh-Uttarakhand border
- Features:
 - Dam-toe powerhouse on left bank
- Developed by Kishau Corporation Ltd. (KCL)
- Status:
 - Updated DPR submitted to CWC
 - Cost apportionment finalized
 - Funding of power component under consideration
 - Interstate Agreement under consideration with Government of India

8. Kashang Stage-IV (48 MW)

- Independent scheme proposed on Kerang stream upstream of Stage-II
- Utilizes approximate head of 300 m
- Features underground powerhouse on right bank

9. Gyspa Dam Project (300 MW)

- Located in Lahaul & Spiti
- Status:
 - Under renewed investigation
 - Fresh drilling tenders floated
 - Drone survey completed
 - Conceptual dam layout under development based on updated geographical and geological inputs
- Pre-Feasibility Report:
 - Submitted to CWC for in-principle acceptance
 - Observations being addressed

- Revised conceptual plan to be submitted shortly for approval

10. Triveni Mahadev HEP (72 MW)

- Located in Mandi district
- Proposed upstream of Beas-Binwa Khad confluence and downstream of CHL HEP powerhouse
- Found techno-commercially viable in preliminary studies
- Status:
 - Consultant appointment for DPR under process
 - Schematic layout finalized
 - Geological/geotechnical investigations to be carried out by GSI

11. Surgani-Sundla HEP (48 MW)

- Utilizes tailrace water of Baira Suil HEP
- Operates in tandem with Baira Suil HEP
- Expected generation: 209.60 MU (90 per cent dependable year)

12. Jangi Thopan Powari HEP (780 MW)

- Upstream development of Shongtong Karchham HEP in Sutlej basin
- Allotted to HPPCL on BOOT basis for 40 years (08.10.2024)
- Status:
 - Acquiring earlier investigation data and DPRs
 - Plans to take up project along with upstream Khab HEP
 - Part of cascade development

13. Chanju-III HEP (48 MW)

- Run-of-river scheme on Chanju Nallah (Chamba district)
- Expected generation: 176.19 MU (90 per cent dependable year)
- Status:
 - Civil and HM packages awarded (October 2022)
 - Agreements signed (December 2022)
 - Scheduled commissioning: February 2028

14. Thana Plaun Pumped Storage Project (270 MW)

- Proposed as off-stream pumped storage scheme
- Features:
 - Uses Thana Plaun HEP reservoir as lower reservoir
 - Upper reservoir formed by gravity dam on Luni Khad
 - Underground powerhouse (4 × 67.5 MW)
- Status:
 - Allotted to HPPCL on 08.10.2024
 - Consultants being engaged for:
 - DPR preparation

- TOR and EIA/EMP studies (MoEF&CC)

15. Renukaji Pumped Storage Project (1630 MW)

- Proposed as off-stream open-loop pumped storage scheme
- Features:
 - Uses Renukaji Dam reservoir as lower reservoir
 - Upper reservoir formed by ~100 m high earth-cum-rockfill dam on Jogar Ka Khalla (Sirmaur)
 - Underground powerhouse (10 × 163 MW)

16. Bara Khamba HEP (45 MW)

- Initially developed in-house with HPSEBL collaboration
- Status:

- Major components fall within Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of Rupi Bhaba Wildlife

17. Nakthan HEP (460 MW)

- DPR in advanced appraisal stage with CEA/CWC
- Status:
 - Project withheld due to water-sharing dispute with Independent Power Producer (IPP)
- Legal status:
 - Arbitration case (No. 27/2016) in Commercial Division of High Court
 - HPPCL's intervening application under consideration
- Efforts:
 - Exploring amicable settlement

Source: Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd.

CHAPTER - 14

HEALTH

Table 14.3

Various Programmes of National Health Mission in the State

<p>A wide range of national and state programmes target disease control and health protection.</p> <p>1. National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2,92,532 Slides examined up to December 2025 ● 27 slides found positive ● No death due to malaria reported <p>2. National Leprosy Eradication Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prevalence rate reduced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ From 5.14 (1995–96) ○ To 0.14 per ten thousand (2024–25) ● 73 new cases detected <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Up to 30th November 2025 <p>3. National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP) / Revised National TB Control Programme (RNTCP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In 2025: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 14,369 TB patients diagnosed ○ 1,421 cases from private sector ● Achieved 98% universal Drug Susceptibility Testing ● Under Nikshay Poshan Yojana: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ₹1,095.60 crore transferred via DBT for nutritional support ● 18 handheld X-ray machines deployed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For doorstep TB screening <p>4. National Programme for Control of Blindness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launched in 1977–78 as centrally sponsored scheme ● Aim: reduce blindness prevalence from 0.87% to 0.3% ● During April–November 2025: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 32,455 cataract surgeries performed <p>5. Himachal Health Care Scheme (HIMCARE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implemented from 1st January 2019 ● Covers families not under Ayushman Bharat or Govt. reimbursement ● Provides cashless treatment up to ₹5 lakh per family per year ● Since inception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4.39 lakh families registered ○ 1.04 lakh beneficiaries treated ○ Treatment worth ₹142.18 crore <p>6. Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launched on 23rd September 2018 ● Provides health insurance cover of ₹5 lakh per family per year ● In Himachal Pradesh: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5.32 lakh eligible families selected ○ 72,839 beneficiaries availed treatment ○ Treatment worth ₹106.74 crore since inception <p>7. Mukhya Mantri Chikitsa Sahayta Kosh</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launched on October 20, 2018 ● Provides financial assistance to needy patients with critical illnesses ● Since inception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 993 beneficiaries assisted ○ Assistance amount: ₹5.24 crore. <p>8. Mukhya Mantri Sahara Yojana</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implemented on July 15, 2019 ● Provides ₹3,000 per month ● For patients suffering from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Specified diseases ○ Incapacitating ailments ● At present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 34,709 beneficiaries registered <p>9. National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes and Stroke (NPCDCS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Under NP-NCD: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ About 16 lakh persons above 30 years screened (up to December 2025) ○ 3.2 lakh hypertension patients on treatment ○ 2 lakh diabetes patients on treatment ● 18 proposed Day Care Chemotherapy Centres <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 11 functional across the State ● Under Type-1 diabetes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 33 free insulin pumps installed ○ 16 more approved at Dr. RPGMC, Tanda <p>10. Menstrual Hygiene Programme under Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Under Menstrual Hygiene Scheme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sanitary napkins provided to adolescent girls ● During FY 2025–26: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 59,81,472 sanitary napkins supplied to Block Medical Officers ○ For distribution in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Government schools ■ Private schools <p>11. Pradhan Mantri National Dialysis Programme (PMNDP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 24 dialysis units operational under HIM NIRMAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22 by Hans Foundation ○ 2 by Rahi Care ● 48,048 dialysis sessions conducted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For 6,151 patients ● For 2025–26:
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- ₹27.44 crore sanctioned
- Establishment of 49 new dialysis centres underway

12. National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP)

- Operational across all districts, promoting tobacco-free spaces
- By December 2025:
 - 9,677 educational institutions declared tobacco-free
 - 387 Gram Panchayats declared tobacco and drug-free
- Enforcement actions:
 - 610 drives conducted
 - 11,466 challans issued
 - ₹11.99 lakh fines collected
- Includes extensive IEC (Information, Education, Communication) activities

13. Kayakalp

- Aim: promote hygiene, sanitation and infection control
- In FY 2024–25:
 - 51 Health Care Facilities received I, II and III awards
 - 594 commendation awards given
- In FY 2025–26:
 - 50 peer assessments completed
 - Results under compilation

14. Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) PLUS

- Promotes institutional deliveries
- Incentives for BPL/SC/ST women:
 - ₹1,100 for institutional delivery
 - ₹500 for home delivery
- During FY 2025–26 (April–November):
 - 4,359 women benefited

15. Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK)

- Provides free services to:
 - Pregnant women
 - Sick infants (up to 1 year)
- Includes:
 - Drugs
 - Diagnostics
 - Blood
 - Transport
 - Food
 - User-charge exemptions
- During FY 2025–26 (April–November):
 - 49,607 women benefited

16. Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA)

- Provides fixed-day antenatal care
- Conducted on 9th of every month
- For women in 2nd and 3rd trimester

- During FY 2025–26 (April–November):
 - 64,862 women benefited

17. Atal Ashirwad Yojana

- Launched in 2018
 - Provides baby care kits to mothers
 - Applicable in:
 - Government health institutions
 - Private health institutions
 - Around 1 lakh institutional deliveries annually
 - Kit value: about ₹1,500 each
 - Up to 30 November 2025:
 - 3,58,136 kits distributed

18. National AIDS Control Programme

- During FY 2025–26 (up to December):
 - 2.88 lakh persons screened
 - 728 HIV-positive cases detected
- Infrastructure includes:
 - 55 ICTCs
 - 20 STI/RTI clinics
 - 15 blood banks
 - 7 ART centres
 - 2 F-ART centres
 - 5 Link ART centres
- Provides free treatment
- Targeted interventions covered 33,630 beneficiaries

Table 14.5
Institution wise major activities

Upgradation of medical institutions is enhancing advanced healthcare services.

Indira Gandhi Medical College (IGMC), Shimla

- Infrastructure Development
 - UG Boys' and Girls' Hostels approved
 - Outlay: ₹50.14 crore
 - Work in progress
 - Two lifts construction
 - Connecting Principal Office to New OPD Block
 - Completion expected by March 2026
 - Three lecture theatres + one examination hall
 - Approved cost: ₹5.74 crore
 - Construction ongoing in multi-storey parking building
 - NELS Skill Lab
 - Supported by MoH&FW
 - Cost: ₹1.10 crore
 - Site identified, estimates under preparation
 - Separate block for Nuclear Medicine & Medical Oncology
 - Outlay: ₹45.68 crore

- Civil work expected completion: February 2026
 - Robotic Surgery facility
 - Cost: ₹5.44 crore
 - Expected operational in 2026–27
 - Shifting of OBG Department
 - From KNSHM&C to IGMC Shimla
 - Space identified, equipment proposals submitted
- Machinery and Equipment
 - CT Simulator
 - Cost: ₹8.71 crore
 - Installed and operational
 - High Energy Linear Accelerator (LINAC)
 - Cost: ₹28.00 crore
 - Installed, commissioning tests underway
 - First true-beam LINAC in the State
 - PET-CT machine
 - Installed and tested
 - AERB license under process
 - Expected operational by February 2026
 - 3-Tesla MRI machine
 - Installed, infrastructure works ongoing
 - Expected operational by February 2026

Dr. Rajinder Prashad Government Medical College (Dr. RPGMC), Tanda

- Infrastructure and Institutional Development
 - Centre of Excellence in Mental Health
 - Cost: ₹35.39 crore
 - OPD services operational since March 2025
 - 200-bedded Sh. G.S. Bali Mother & Child Hospital
 - Cost: ₹44.77 crore
 - Ground floor functional
 - Full completion expected by March 2026
 - Lecture Theatre Complex (EWS Scheme)
 - Cost: ₹14.14 crore
 - ~30% work completed
 - Staff Quarters construction:
 - 16 Type-V quarters
 - Cost: ₹12.26 crore
 - 80% completed
 - 8 Type-IV quarters
 - Cost: ₹3.37 crore
 - 80% completed
 - 50-bedded Critical Care Block
 - Cost: ₹19.86 crore
 - ~95% work completed

- Nursing Education
 - Nursing School constructed
 - Through HPPWD
 - Administrative approval: ₹1,9.69 crore
 - Civil works completed, electrical works pending
 - Upgraded to College of Nursing
- Medical Equipment and Advanced Facilities
 - PET-CT machine funding:
 - ₹15.82 crore released
 - 3.0 Tesla MRI machine:
 - ₹23.50 crore released
 - Installation expected by April 2026
 - Hi-Tech Testing Laboratory
 - Approved cost: ₹25.00 crore
 - Robotic surgeries
 - 35+ surgeries performed by December 2025
- Patient Care and Support Services
 - 25 KL Liquid Medical Oxygen tank installed
 - Strengthens oxygen availability and emergency preparedness
 - Free diagnostic services provided
 - FY 2025–26 (April–December)
 - Expenditure: ₹3.93 crore
 - Free treatment provided under schemes:
 - PMJAY
 - HIMCARE
 - Samman Yojana
 - During FY 2025–26 (April–December)

Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Government Medical College (JLNGMC), Chamba – Infrastructure Expansion

- Phase-I completed with:
 - 200-bedded hospital
 - 8 clinical departments
 - 300 MBBS hostels
 - Government Nursing hostel
 - 36 Type-III staff quarters
 - 24 Type-IV staff quarters
 - Medical diagnostics facility
 - BMW (Bio-Medical Waste) facility
- Phase-II approved at ₹193.81 crore
 - ₹18.98 crore released for senior residents' accommodation
 - Academic block and interns' hostels proposed
- Diagnostics and Procedures (2025)
 - 6,185 dialysis sessions
 - 1,07,367 X-rays conducted
 - 17,904 ultrasounds
 - 2,726 CT scans

- 51 MRIs
- Over 5.51 lakh laboratory tests, including:**
 - Biochemistry 4,39,621,
 - Microbiology (15,365)
 - Clinical Pathology (95,575)
- **Clinical Services**
 - 2,854 major surgeries
 - 8,041 minor surgeries
 - 3,131 normal deliveries
 - 744 C-sections
 - 24×7 central laboratory services
- **Social Protection Coverage (2025)**
 - 633 beneficiaries under HIMCARE
 - 242 beneficiaries under Ayushman Bharat
 - 16 beneficiaries under ESIC
 - Free drugs, diagnostics, and JSSK benefits ensured
- **Clinical Excellence**
 - **Advanced orthopedic procedures, including:**
 - Spine surgeries
 - Pelvic-acetabular procedures
 - Revision hip surgeries
 - B/L TKR (bilateral total knee replacement)
 - **ECHO services available**
 - **Diabetic OPD functional**
 - **Insulin pumps provided to 5 children (Type-I diabetes)**

Dr. Radhakrishnan Government Medical College and Hospital, Hamirpur

- **Emerging as major hub for tertiary healthcare and medical education**
- **Project Details**
 - Total outlay: **₹376.30 crore**
 - Includes **₹170.10 crore** support from Government of India
- **Phase-I Infrastructure**
 - **Academic block and 240-bedded hospital completed**
 - Constructed on **6.56 hectares**
 - Facilities include:
 - Modern teaching facilities
 - Laboratories
 - Lecture theatres
 - MRI and CT scan
 - ICUs
 - Trauma care centre
 - 7 operation theatres
- **Current Status**
 - **Installation of furniture and equipment underway**
- **Phase-II Expansion**
 - **Final approval obtained for diversion of 15.53 hectares of forest land**

- **Upcoming Infrastructure**
 - State Cancer Institute (₹140.73 crore)
 - Auditorium (₹6.90 crore)
 - Nursing college
 - Hostels
 - Administrative block
 - Hi-tech laboratory
 - Staff residences
- **Expected Outcomes**
 - **Strengthening of tertiary healthcare delivery**
 - **Improvement in specialist services**
 - **Enhancement of medical education capacity**
 - **Benefits for Hamirpur and surrounding regions**

Shastri Government Medical College, Mandi

- **Clinical Infrastructure Strengthening**
 - Establishment of **three fully functional skill laboratories**
 - **OBG and Gynae Skill Lab**
 - Set up under **tripartite agreement with Johnson & Johnson**
 - Cost: **₹25 lakh**,
 - Enhances **hands-on training and procedural competencies**
- **Specialized Facilities**
 - **Comprehensive Midwifery Led Care Unit (CMLC)**
 - Cost: **₹10 lakh**
 - Established in **OBG wing**
 - **State Midwifery Training Institute (SMTI) Skill Lab**
 - Cost: **₹90 lakh**
 - **Operational in Nursing College**
- **Budget and Equipment Procurement**
 - **Budget allocation (FY 2024-25): ₹23.50 crore**
 - **₹21.57 crore disbursed to HITES**
 - Further payments made during **FY 2025-26**
 - For **procurement and supply of machinery**

Government Dental College

- **Academic Infrastructure Strengthening**
 - Procurement of **modern teaching and medical equipment**
 - Includes:
 - LCD panels and Interactive panels
 - Student microscopes for:
 - Oral Pathology
 - Microbiology
 - Cylindrical autoclave for OT
 - Dental chairs for:

- Oral Medicine
- Radiology
- Defibrillator for OT
- Dental implant equipment
- Dental instruments for various departments
- Digital machine for OMR

Atal Institute of Medical Super Specialties, Shimla (Chamiyana)

- **Infrastructure Development**
 - **Critical Care Block construction**
 - Target completion: **March 2026**
 - **Additional block construction**
 - Expected completion: **June 2026**
 - **Hostel facilities proposed**
 - In attic floors of both buildings
 - **Administrative approval granted**
 - Funds released to **HSCC Ltd.**
- **Machinery and Equipment**
 - Procurement of **modern medical equipment** underway
 - Several **machines already installed and functional**
 - **3-Tesla MRI machine**
 - Likely to be installed **within coming months**
- **Robotic Surgery Facility**
 - **Robotic surgeries conducted**
 - Number of surgeries: **over 100**

CHAPTER - 15

SOCIAL WELFARE

Table 15.1
Social Security Pension Schemes of the State

<p>Old Age Pension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No income bar, except if person or spouse is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Taxpayer ■ Receiving Government pension ○ Males aged 60–69 years → ₹1,000 per month ○ Females aged 60–69 years → ₹1,500 per month ○ Persons aged 70 years and above → ₹1,700 per month ● Expenditure: ₹622.24 crore up to Dec 2025 ● Budget Provision: ₹854.98 crore <p>Special Disability Relief Allowance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eligibility & Amount: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Persons with 40–69% disability (Male) → ₹1,150 per month ■ Persons with 40–69% disability (Female) → ₹1,500 per month ■ Persons with above 70% disability (no income criteria) → ₹1,700 per month ○ Expenditure: ₹98.57 crore ○ Budget Provision: ₹18.59 crore ○ Beneficiaries: 78,291 <p>Widow / Deserted / Ekal Nari Pension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Females up to 69 years ₹1,000 per month ○ Females aged 70 years and above ₹1,700 ● Expenditure: ₹168.73 crore ● Budget Provision: ₹218.97 crore ● Beneficiaries: 1,26,808 <p>Rehabilitation Allowance to Lepers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Male leprosy patients up to 69 years ₹1,000 ○ Females up to 69 years ₹1,500 ○ All patients aged 70 years and above ₹1,700 ● Expenditure: ₹1.13 crore ● Budget Provision: ₹1.86 crore ● Beneficiaries: 1,021 <p>Transgender Pension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility & Amount: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Transgender up to 69 years → ₹1,000 per month ○ Transgender aged 70 years and above → ₹1,700 per month ● Expenditure: ₹1.23 lakh ● Budget Provision: ₹9.00 lakh
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Beneficiaries: 50 <p>Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension (BPL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Persons (Male) aged 60–69 years belonging to BPL households ₹1,000 ○ Females aged 60–69 years in BPL households → ₹1,500 per month ○ Persons aged 70 years and above belonging to BPL households → ₹1,700 per month <p>Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension (BPL) (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expenditure: ₹31.86 crore ● Budget Provision: ₹44.10 crore <p>Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility & Amount: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Widows aged 40–69 years in BPL households → ₹1,500 per month ○ Widows aged 70 years and above in BPL households → ₹1,700 per month ● Expenditure: ₹7.19 crore ● Budget Provision: ₹9.85 crore ● Beneficiaries: 25,414 <p>Indira Gandhi National Specially Disabled Pension</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Divyangjans with ≥80% disability in BPL households ● Amount: ₹1,700 per month ● Expenditure: ₹37.19 lakh ● Budget Provision: ₹53.00 lakh ● Beneficiaries: 1,340

Table 15.3
Major Welfare Schemes for SCs, STs, OBCs and Minorities

<p>Award for Inter-caste Marriage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Incentive provided to promote inter-caste marriages ● Incentive amount enhanced from ₹ 50,000 to ₹ 2,00,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Effective from November 2025 ● FY 2025–26: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget provision: ₹5.10 crore ○ 493 couples benefited ○ Expenditure: ₹2.18 crore up to December 2025 <p>Swaran Jayanti Ashray Yojana (Housing Subsidy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provides housing subsidy of ₹1.5 lakh per family ● For eligible SC, ST, OBC beneficiaries ● Annual income below ₹50,000

- Purpose: Construction of dwelling units
- FY 2025–26:

- Budget provision: ₹6.00 crore

Training and Proficiency in Computer Applications and Allied Activities

- Provides training in computer courses:
 - PGDCA.DCA
- Through empanelled agencies
- Target beneficiaries:
 - SC/ST/OBC/Minorities
 - Divyangjan
 - Single women and widows
- Department support:
 - Bears training cost
 - Provides stipend during training
 - Provides six-month placement in Government offices

Follow-up Programme

- Provides financial assistance to SC and OBC beneficiaries
- Annual income up to ₹50,000
- Purpose: Purchase of tools and equipment
- Assistance:
 - ₹1,300 for traditional trades
 - ₹1,800 for sewing machines
- FY 2025–26 Budget provision: ₹1.18 crore

Compensation to Victims under SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989

- Provides compensation to victims of atrocities
- Amount range: ₹85,000 to ₹8.25 lakh
- FY 2025–26:
 - Budget provision: ₹3.59 crore
 - ₹2.01 crore disbursed
 - 325 victims benefited up to December 2025

Assistance to Civil Service Coaching

- Provides one-time financial assistance of ₹30,000
- For bonafide Himachali candidates
- Condition: Qualifying Civil Services Preliminary Examination

Prevention of Drug Abuse

- Integrated Rehabilitation Centres for Addicts (IRCA) operated:
 - In collaboration with NGOs
 - With Grant-in-Aid support from:
 - Government of India
 - State Government
- Awareness activities conducted:
 - Nukkad Natak
 - Campaigns in educational institutions
- FY 2025–26:
 - Demand of ₹14.95 crore placed with GoI
 - Additional grant of ₹0.50 crore received
 - For 5th anniversary of Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA)

Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations (Old Age Homes)

- Grant-in-Aid provided to NGOs running:
 - Old Age Homes
 - Day Care Centres
 - Varishth Nagrik Suvidha Kendras
- Objective: Welfare of destitute senior citizens
- FY 2025–26:
 - Budget provision: ₹3.00 crore
 - ₹1.61 crore utilized up to December 2025

Q. What support systems exist for persons with disabilities?

Table 15.4

Welfare Schemes for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjans)

Scholarship to Divyangjans

- Scholarship provided to children with disabilities (≥40%)
- Purpose: Support education
- Rate of scholarship:
 - ₹625 to ₹3750 per month for day scholars
 - ₹1,875 to ₹5,000 per month for boarders
- Varies based on class of study
- Budget provision (FY 2025–26): ₹1.28 crore

Incentive for Marriage to Persons with Disabilities

- One-time incentive grant to encourage marriage with Divyangjans
- Amount:
 - ₹25,000 for disability 40–74%
 - ₹50,000 for disability ≥75%
- Budget provision (FY 2025–26): ₹70 lakh

Institutions for Children with Special Needs (ICSA)

- Three institutions located at:
 - Dhalli (Shimla)
 - Dari (Dharamshala)
 - Sundernagar (Mandi)
- Provide:
 - Education services
 - Vocational rehabilitation services
- Target:
 - Children with visual, hearing and locomotor impairments
- Budget provision (FY 2025–26): ₹1.96 crore

District Rehabilitation Centres (DRCs)

- Two centres functioning at:
 - Hamirpur
 - Dharamshala
- Provide:
 - Rehabilitation services
 - Counselling
 - Assistive support for persons with disabilities

Rehabilitation of Mentally Ill Cured Persons

- Two halfway homes:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Female home at Kunihar (District Solan) ○ Male home at Nagchalla (District Mandi) ● Operated through NGOs ● Purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rehabilitation ○ Social reintegration of mentally ill cured persons <p>Unique Disability ID (UDID) Cards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Universal disability identity cards issued ● Issued after medical examination by competent authority ● Purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ensure uniform and integrated system of disability certification ● Implemented as Centrally Sponsored initiative <p>Festival Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provided to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Residents of Special Homes ○ Old Age Homes ○ Institutions ● Purpose: Celebration of eight main festivals ● Grant amount: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ₹500 per resident ○ ₹5,000 for institutions with up to 25 residents ○ ₹10,000 for institutions with more than 25 residents
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Table 15.5

Various schemes provide shelter, support and rehabilitation for women and children

<p>Special homes provide care, protection and rehabilitation to vulnerable women.</p> <p>State Home-cum-Protective Home, Mashobra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide shelter, food, clothing, education, training and rehabilitation support ● Target groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Young widows ○ Deserted women without support ○ Women in moral danger ○ Women admitted under court orders ○ Mentally challenged or disabled women ● 16 residents currently living ● Rehabilitation support after leaving Home: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Financial assistance up to ₹25,000 per woman ○ ₹51,000 Marriage assistance provided ● FY 2025-26: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget provision: ₹0.50 crore ○ ₹0.30 crore utilized up to December 2025 <p>One-Stop Centre (OSC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Centrally Sponsored Scheme ● Provides integrated support under one roof to women affected by violence
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Medical aid ○ Legal assistance ○ Psychological counselling ○ Emergency and non-emergency support ● Centres functional at all district headquarters ● Additional OSC at Rampur (District Shimla) ● FY 2025-26: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget provision: ₹2.48 crore ○ ₹2.14 crore utilized up to December 2025 ○ 1,127 women benefited <p>Saksham Gudiya Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Make policy recommendations for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Empowerment of girl child ■ Safety and security ● Functions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review implementation of programmes ○ Across various departments ○ For protection and upliftment of girls <p>Mukhya Mantri Sukh-Ashray Yojana</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provides comprehensive care and protection to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Orphans ○ Semi-orphans ○ Specially-abled children ○ Abandoned and surrendered children ○ Transgender children ○ Destitute and single women ● Support continues until self-reliance ● Notified on 28 February 2023 ● Corpus fund: ₹101.00 crore <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supports higher education and skill development ○ Includes voluntary donations and CSR contributions ● FY 2025-26 (up to 31 Dec 2025): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4,131 children covered ○ Budget provision: ₹35.03 crore ○ ₹25.78 crore utilised <p>Targeted interventions ensure care, protection, and rehabilitation of vulnerable groups.</p> <p>Mission Vatsalya Scheme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Earlier known as Child Protection Scheme ● Implemented since 17 September 2012 ● Objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide care and protection to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Children in Need of Care and Protection (CNCP) ■ Children in Conflict with Law (CICL) ● Institutional care through 61 Child Care Institutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1,246 children benefited ● Non-institutional care: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3,227 children under foster care/sponsorship ○ 117 children under after-care services

- Period: 1 April 2025 – 31 December 2025
 - **FY 2025–26:**
 - Budget provision: ₹61.36 crore
 - ₹29.45 crore utilized up to December 2025
- Rehabilitation Support to Minor Victims of Rape and Child Abuse and Objectification**
- Objective:
 - Restore **dignity and self-confidence**
 - **Support includes:**
 - Counselling
 - Financial security
 - Skill up-gradation
 - Rehabilitation and livelihood support
 - **On confirmation of crime:**
 - ₹7,500 per month provided
 - Up to **age of 21 years**
 - **384 beneficiaries received support**
- Anganwadi Services**
- **Provides:**
 - Supplementary nutrition
 - Health education
 - Immunization
 - Health check-ups
 - Referral services
 - Pre-school education
 - **From 1 April 2025:**
 - All centres declared “Anganwadi-cum-Preschool”
 - **FY 2025–26:**
 - ₹129.62 crore utilized up to December 2025
- Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) and Bal Poshahaar Top-up Yojana**
- Provides **supplementary nutrition** to:
 - Children (6 months–6 years)
 - Pregnant and lactating mothers
 - Severely malnourished children
 - Purpose: **Bridge dietary gaps**
 - **FY 2025–26 beneficiaries:**
 - Children (number not specified)
 - 63,986 pregnant and lactating mothers
 - 1,489 severely malnourished children
 - **Budget:**
 - ₹71.10 crore (Central) under SNP
 - ₹7.90 crore (State) under SNP
 - ₹21.00 crore under Bal Poshahaar Top-up Yojana
 - ₹51.06 crore utilised up to December 2025
- Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG)**
- Implemented in **District Chamba (aspirational district)**
 - Objective:
 - Improve **nutritional and health status of adolescent girls (14–18 years)**
 - **FY 2025–26:**
 - 14,943 girls benefited

- **Budget provision: ₹4.78 crore**
- ₹2.32 crore utilized up to December 2025

Some other State Schemes
Mukhya Mantri Kanyadaan Yojna

- **Objective:**
 - Provide **financial assistance of ₹51,000 for marriage of girls**
 - Target: **Economically weaker and socially vulnerable families**
 - Focus on cases where **father is deceased or incapacitated due to:**
 - Physical disability
 - Mental disability
 - Prolonged illness
- **FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹9.39 crore**
- **Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹0.93 crore**
- **Beneficiaries: 182**

Widow Re-marriage Scheme

- **Objective:**
 - Facilitate **social and economic rehabilitation of widows**
 - Promote **widow remarriage**
 - Provide **financial support to couples**
 - Reduce **social vulnerability and stigma of widowhood**
- **FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹4.67 crore**
- **Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹0.91 crore**
- **Beneficiaries: 45**

Indira Gandhi Sukh Shiksha Yojna

- **Objective:**
 - Ensure **uninterrupted education of children of:**
 - Widowed women
 - Destitute women
 - Abandoned women
 - Disabled parents
 - Provide **financial and educational support**
 - Coverage: **Early childhood up to 27 years (higher/professional education)**
- **FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹23.37 crore**
- **Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹22.21 crore**
- **Beneficiaries: 21,588**

Vishesh Mahila Uthan Yojna

- **Objective:**
 - **Rehabilitate marginalised women, especially sex workers**
 - Provide **vocational training and skill development**
 - **Promote:**
 - Alternative livelihood opportunities
 - Self-reliance
 - Social and economic

mainstreaming

- **Support:**
 - Stipend ₹3,000 per month
 - Test fee support ₹ 800

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

- **Objective:**
 - Prevent gender-biased sex-selective practices
 - Improve child sex ratio
 - Promote:
 - Education of girl child
 - Safety and empowerment
 - Through:
 - Awareness generation
 - Community engagement
 - Behavioural change
- FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹1.55 crore
- Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹1.07 crore
- Details: 395 camps organised

Beti Hai Anmol Yojna

- **Objective:**
 - Change negative societal attitudes towards:
 - Girl child
 - Mother
 - Improve:
 - Enrolment
 - Retention
 - Continuation of girls' education
- **Support:**
 - Post-birth financial assistance of ₹21,000
 - Scholarships for BPL families
- FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹1.00 crore
- Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹0.68 crore
- Beneficiaries: 319

Mukhya Mantri Shagun Yojna

- **Objective:**
 - Provide financial assistance of ₹31,000
 - For girls from BPL families at marriage
 - Reduce financial burden on economically weaker households
- FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹19.47 crore
- Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹3.47 crore
- Beneficiaries: 1,118

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojna (PMMVY)

- **Objective:**
 - Provide partial wage compensation to:
 - Pregnant women
 - Lactating women
 - Enable adequate rest before and after childbirth
 - Improve:
 - Maternal and child health

outcomes

- Health-seeking behaviour
 - Promote positive behavioural change towards girl child
- FY 2025–26 Budget: ₹29.84 crore
- Utilisation (up to Dec 2025): ₹28.04 crore
- Beneficiaries:
 - 34,372 (1st child instalment)
 - 37,788 (2nd child instalment)