



GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

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Part - II

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General

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PART-II (GENERAL BUDGET)

Hon'ble Speaker Madam,

After highlighting initiatives for **Annadata**, I will continue to focus on other aspects of the first strategic pillar of our Viksit Odisha Vision, i.e. "**Rural Empowerment.**"

2. It is matter of concern that basic amenities like Sadak, Bijli and Pani have not reached all citizens of the State even 78 years after our independence. To address the issue with a time bound implementation framework on three defined principle set "Speed, Scale and Standard" under the initiative "**Mission PoWaR**" three basic amenities, i.e. **Power, Drinking Water and Last Mile Connectivity** will be provided to every revenue village by 2026-27. Energy, Panchayati Raj & Drinking Water and Rural Development Departments will work in tandem to achieve the target in a mission mode.

3. I propose to make massive investment of **Rs.44,309 crore** for Rural Development schemes and projects, which is 13% more than previous year's allocation. Our government, under the flagship "**MMSY – Mukhya Mantri Sadak Yojana**" is committed to providing all-weather connectivity to unconnected habitations. I propose an amount of **Rs.3,491 crore** under MMSY – Mukhya Mantri Sadak Yojana and **Rs.2,050 crore** under **Setu Bandhan** to meet the requirements of ongoing projects as well as new bridge projects.

4. A new scheme "**Connectivity to Unconnected Habitations**" would be implemented under Mission PoWaR (Power, Water and Road) with a proposed provision of **Rs.1000 crore** in 2026-27 (BE).

5. To complement these road project initiatives in rural area, I propose an outlay of **Rs.750 crore** for **PMGSY works** and **Rs.150 crore** for **PM-JANMAN works** in 2026-27 (BE). Further, for maintenance of rural roads, I propose an amount of **Rs.2,200 crore** in this Budget.

6. All the revenue villages of the State have been electrified. However, few hamlets need to be electrified. To ensure universal access to electricity and strengthen last-mile infrastructure, a provision of **Rs.357 crore** has been made under the **Biju Gram Jyoti Yojana (BGJY)**, reaffirming our resolve that no family in Odisha should remain in darkness due to lack of infrastructure.

7. Our flagship initiative, **Bikashita Gaon Bikashita Odisha (BGBO)** is bridging critical gaps in villages of Rural Odisha by undertaking sustainable development projects such as development of rural road infrastructure, creation of civic assets and amenities, improvement of infrastructure for sports and education, and development of micro-tourism spots, leading to accelerated and inclusive growth. For the year 2026-27, an amount of **Rs.2000 crore** has been provided.

Hon'ble Speaker Madam,

8. The Government of India has enacted the **Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025**. The statutory overhaul of MGNREGA, aligning rural employment with the long-term vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, will strengthen accountability, infrastructure outcomes and income security in the rural area. In the Union Budget, 2026-27 more than **Rs.95,000 crore** has been allocated for the CSS Scheme-**VB-G RAM-G “Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin)”**. So, I am proposing an outlay of **Rs.5,575 crore** under the scheme **“Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin)”** for providing 125 days of employment guarantee for the rural household strengthening their income.

9. Apart from this, I also propose **Rs.1,500 crore** under **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS)** to complete the incomplete works and till finalisation of all formalities under **“VB G-RAM-G”**. Further, to arrest distress migration in 30 migration-prone blocks of 9 districts,

an additional amount of **Rs.400 crore** is proposed under “**State Support to MGNREGS**” for the financial year 2026-27.

10. I propose a new initiative “**DALKHAI**” (“**Dignified Access to Livelihood, Knowledge, Health and Allied Infrastructure**”) to address the underlying causes of distress migration by ensuring sustainable livelihoods through inter and intra-departmental coordination.

11. **MMJJM 2.0** will be implemented from FY 2026-27 as the second phase of the **Mukhya Mantri Janajati Jeevika Mission (MMJJM)**. It aims to enhance the income and overall Wellbeing of the Tribal and PVTG Households across all Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) Blocks and Micro Project Areas (PVTG) in the State by promoting farm and non-farm-based livelihood production clusters. 1.6 lakh Tribal Households will be covered in FY 2026-27 and total 8 lakh families in next 5 years. An amount of **Rs.150 crore** is proposed under **MMJJM** in 2026-27 (BE).

12. Odisha has been recognised by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs as the Best Performing State under the Aadi Karmayogi Abhiyan with Mayurbhanj and Keonjhar districts also receiving awards for district-level performance. For implementation of **Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA)**, I propose **Rs.326 crore** in FY 2026-27.

13. With a firm commitment to ensure universal access, the State has embarked upon an ambitious plan to provide piped water supply and safe drinking water to all rural households by the end of March, 2027. Concerted efforts are being made to achieve this target within the stipulated timeline. Accordingly, substantial financial provisions have been proposed, including **Rs.1,495 crore** under **BASUDHA**, **Rs.7,000 crore** under **Jal Jeevan Mission**.

14. I propose a new scheme **State Support for Rural Piped Water Supply Projects** to ensure that every rural household in Odisha has access to a safe, reliable and sustainable source of drinking water. The scheme will support incomplete projects, cover left-out habitations, address water quality issues and

promote innovative technologies. I propose to allocate **Rs.800 crore** for this this scheme.

15. Further, an amount of **Rs.366 crore** has been proposed under **Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)** for FY 2026-27 to strengthen sanitation outcomes in rural areas.

Hon'ble Speaker Madam,

16. The true wealth of Odisha shines in the eyes of its children, in the empowerment of its women, and in the aspirations of its youth. Education, healthcare, nutrition, skills, sports, and social inclusion form the human foundation upon which every economic ambition stands. In our shared journey of progress, every citizen will find a fair and dignified place in Odisha's rising story.

17. However, I am extremely disheartened to say that even today more than 6 lakh eligible persons are deprived of social security pension. Even after fulfilling all conditions, a person has to wait for death of another existing beneficiary. This is an injustice to the elderly people of the State and no step was taken by the previous Government to address the issue.

18. Our government recognises this as an anomaly and to address this, I propose to change the policy to cover all eligible beneficiaries under "Madhubabu Pension Yojana" in saturation mode. We will provide social security pension to more than 6 lakh left out eligible persons immediately. In future whenever anybody satisfies the required condition, he/she will be covered immediately under the scheme without waiting for creation of vacancy through death of any existing beneficiary. This will go a long way in providing social security to our citizens.

19. One of the visions of our Government under Women Empowerment is to see every girl child to complete graduation. For the purpose, '**Mukhyamantri Kanya Sumangal Yojana**' under which a savings instrument of **Rs.20,000** will

be created in the name of a girl born in an economically weaker section family. She will be provided **Rs1,00,001/-** on completion of graduation.

20. To deepen women's empowerment and well-being, I propose a new scheme named "**Subhadra Shakti Samvad**" as a structured participatory platform for SUBHADRA beneficiaries to share experiences, raise concerns and strengthen grievance redressal through regular interaction with officials and community stakeholders. In addition, another new initiative is the **Subhadra Wellness Centres**, which will be established at strategic locations to promote physical fitness, nutrition, mental well-being and economic awareness among women of all age groups, along with lifestyle guidance and counselling support.

21. By synergising with the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), we are now extending an enhanced maternity benefit of **Rs.12,000** for families welcoming a girl child. To realize this commitment, we have earmarked Rs.320 crore for the MAMATA Scheme and **Rs.180 crore** for PMMVY in the upcoming 2026-27 Budget. These investments ensure that every pregnant and lactating woman receives the dignified financial support she needs during this vital stage of life.

22. **SUBHADRA**, our flagship women empowerment programme ensuring economic security and dignity for women, provides direct financial assistance of **Rs.10,000 per annum** in two instalments to every eligible woman beneficiary. I propose an allocation of **Rs.10,145 crore** to benefit more than 1 crore women.

23. Our daughters are our pride, and we must do everything possible to help them reach their potential. However, the high cost of traditional weddings often weighs heavily on families with limited means. To support these families, we have launched "**MukhyaMantri Kanya Bibaha Yojana.**" By facilitating mass weddings, the Government is taking on the financial responsibility – handling all costs and gifting the bride – so that families can celebrate this milestone without hardship. I propose an allocation of **Rs.12 crore** for this purpose.

24. Our vision is to transform the women of Odisha into Lakhpati Didis by creating industrial hubs specifically for SHGs and offering robust support for branding and promotion. Through the **National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)**, we are facilitating provision of Government contracts and services for over 1 lakh SHGs. An amount of **Rs.1,333 crore** has been proposed in the Budget for implementation of this Scheme. Allocation for Mission Shakti Department has been enhanced to **Rs.2,804 crore** for implementation of various schemes to empower our women.

25. To support our sisters and daughters, total allocation of **Rs.18,957 crore** has been proposed for schemes and programmes dedicated to achieving gender equity and empowering the half of our population that drives our State forward.

26. Apart from all our ongoing schemes, I propose one new scheme “**Samrudha Anganwadi Yojana**” for completion of all incomplete Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in saturation mode. Under the new scheme AWCs will be constructed at a unit cost of **Rs.15 lakh** per centre without crèche facilities and **Rs.20 lakh** per centre with crèche facilities. For this new scheme, I propose **Rs.635 crore** in FY 2026–27.

27. To strengthen the safety net for children in need of care and protection, the State proposes to establish **23 Integrated Vatsalya Sadans** across 23 districts at their respective district headquarters under the new scheme “**Integrated Vatsalya Sadan**”. These well-planned, integrated complexes will accommodate the Children’s Home, Child Welfare Committee (CWC), and Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) within a single compound. For the purpose, I allocate an amount of **Rs.62 crore**.

28. Our people are our true strength, and their health is our primary concern. Through **Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pusti Yojana (MSPY)**, we are investing **Rs.552 crore** to safeguard the nutrition of our mothers, daughters, and children.

These initiatives represent our unwavering commitment to building a healthier, well-nourished future for every family.

29. To ensure nutritional requirement and effective learning among young learners, I propose **Rs.709 crore** for provision of hot cooked meals under the PM POSHAN programme. Further, under the **Mukhya Mantri Poshan Yojana**, the unit material cost has been enhanced from Rs.10.94 to Rs.14.74 per student per day for secondary students of Classes IX and X, in alignment with PM POSHAN norms, to enhance retention, reduce drop-out rates and improve nutritional outcomes for our children.

30. In line with NEP-2020, our Government has successfully introduced **Shishu Vatika** as an integral part of the formal school education system, ensuring that every child enters school with a strong and equitable foundation. To further strengthen school-based early childhood education, I propose allocation of **Rs.1131 crore** under **State Support to Samagra Shiksha** out of which an amount of Rs.32 crore has been earmarked for supply of free uniforms to Shishu Vatika students.

31. With the clear vision of free and barrier-free education for every student, I propose a new scheme for supply of free textbooks to all students of Classes IX and X. Further, to improve access to education and remove financial barriers across the State, I propose allocation of funds for distribution of free uniforms to all students of Classes I to VIII under the **Gangadhar Meher Sikshya Manakbrudhi Yojana** and to students of Classes IX and X under the **Mukhyamantri Chhatra Chhatri Paridhan Yojana**, ensuring that no child is denied schooling because of economic hardship.

32. Infrastructure development of schools is paramount to fulfil the promise and potential within every child. Under the **Godabarisha Mishra Adarsha Vidyalaya** initiative, I propose to develop model primary schools at the Gram Panchayat level. An outlay of **Rs.1,010 crore** is proposed for FY 2026-27. Under **Aitihya Vidyalayas**, 51 heritage Odia-medium Government High

Schools will be renovated and revitalised as centres of excellence and to inculcate a sense of Odia Asmita.

33. Empowering every ST, SC, OBC and EBC student remains a flagship and transformative intervention of our government for incentivising educational attainment and ensuring that no deserving student is constrained by economic hardship. During 2025-26, scholarships to nearly eleven lakh ST, SC, OBC and EBC student beneficiaries have already been disbursed under the **Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chatra Protshana Yojana** and scholarship schemes under Centrally Sponsored Schemes. We have enhanced the pre-matric scholarship rate to Rs.1600 per month for ST&SC boys boarders and Rs.1700 per month to girls boarders. Reaffirming our firm commitment to equity in education, I propose an outlay of **Rs.2,095 crore** in FY 2026-27 for disbursement of scholarships to 22 lakh ST, SC, OBC and EBC students.

34. To ensure our ST students stay in school and succeed, the **Shahid Madho Singh Haath Kharcha Yojana** provides a one-time support of Rs.5000 to those in Classes IX and XI. By addressing the financial barriers that lead to dropouts, this scheme is set to empower 3 lakh ST students across the State to continue their education. Provision of **Rs.154 crore** is proposed for this programme in the Budget.

35. Strengthening of infrastructure in Residential Schools for ST & SC Students in phased manner is a focused initiative of Government aimed at strengthening infrastructure in residential schools of this department which caters to the education of Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Scheduled Caste (SC) students of this state. For the FY 2026-27, it is aimed to cover at least 100 such residential schools, which will be financed from "Construction Buildings" scheme for which an amount of **Rs.1,070 crore** has been allocated.

36. Our Government is strengthening higher education infrastructure and quality through focused investments. I propose **Rs.470 crore** for infrastructure development across State universities, Government colleges and non-

Government aided colleges. Further, I propose **Rs.50 crore** for modernisation of quality education and **Rs.25 crore** for laboratory grants in Government and Aided colleges.

37. To expand equitable access to higher education, I propose to continue the **Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chatra Protsahan Yojana** through its key components – E-Medhabruti providing annual scholarships of Rs.10,000 for undergraduate and Rs.15,000 for postgraduate students, **Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Scholarship** of Rs.20,000 per student for +3 Odia Honours and Rs.30,000 per student for Odia postgraduate level, **Gopabandhu Shiksha Sahayata Yojana** providing Rs.20,000 per student per annum to underprivileged students, and **Videsh Sikhyabruti** for 50 SC/ST students per year for postgraduate and doctoral studies abroad with a ceiling of Rs.50 lakh for two years. In addition, under the **Godabarish Vidyarthi Protsahan Yojana**, 15,000 meritorious students completing +2 will be supported with an annual incentive of Rs.30,000 each for laptop.

38. To improve access to education, especially for female students who otherwise face accommodation and safety challenges ensuring greater female enrolment and retention in education across rural and urban areas, it has been announced in Union Budget, 2026-27 to have one girls' (women's) hostel in every district of India. This is a welcome initiative. To complement the initiative, I propose for the construction of **hostels for girl students** in Higher Education Institutions.

39. I am happy to announce that we are going to establish 4 new Greenfield Universities at Kendrapada, Jagatsinghpur, Bhadrak and Jharsuguda at district headquarters. Unlike Brownfield universities, which are upgraded from existing colleges, Greenfield institutions have the unique advantage of implementing fundamentally new organizational models and innovative pedagogy in post-graduation courses from day one in line with the NEP-2020 mandate.

40. To ensure holistic safety and empowerment of women students, I propose the **Shaktishree** scheme covering 16 State Universities and 741 Government and Aided Colleges. The scheme includes establishment of Shaktishree Empowerment Cells in all Higher Education Institutions, engagement of **Sathi, Sanjojika** and **Female Class Representative (FCR)**, self-defence training, SAFE campaigns, mentorship by **Shakti Apas**, CCTV installation, annual campus safety audits and the **Shakti Swarupini** annual workshop.

41. The State envisions establishment of seven campus of **World Skill Centre** by 2047, at least 5 by 2036. To take ahead, I propose for establishment of two new campuses of the “World Skill Center” at **Sambalpur** and **Berhampur** with a total investment of **Rs.278 crore**. These campuses will offer advanced, industry-oriented training to prepare youth with globally competitive skills across emerging sectors. Each campus will have an annual intake capacity of about 2,000 students from ITIs, Polytechnics, and other interested youth. For this purpose, I allocate **Rs.10 crore** under “**Odisha Skill Development Project Phase II**” to initiate the process.

42. I propose a new scheme “**Udyami**” for promotion of 6,000 nano-entrepreneurs with a total outlay of **Rs.40 crore** in next two years. The scheme includes structured entrepreneurship development programmes, appropriate linkages to avail formal credit, mentoring and handholding support to enable sustainable enterprise creation.

43. It is also proposed to establish a **Centre of Excellence in Mining and Metallurgy** at the **Government College of Engineering, Keonjhar** to meet the rising demand for skilled professionals in Odisha’s rapidly expanding mining and metals sector. For infrastructure development of Technical Universities and Engineering Colleges, an outlay of **Rs.235 crore** has been earmarked for “Infrastructure Development of Technological Universities/ Engineering Colleges” in FY 2026-27.

44. Our Government has also focused on transforming “**Odisha University of Technology and Research, Bhubaneswar**”, and “**Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology, Burla**” into world-class technical universities. I now propose to establish **two new government engineering college at Paradeep and Balangir**.

45. Our Government has approved the “**Utkarsh ITIs Yojana**” with a total outlay of **Rs.500 crore** for three years from 2025-26 to 2027-28 to upgrade five existing Government ITIs as flagship Utkarsh ITIs, with an investment of about **Rs.100 crore** per ITI for enhanced intake in emerging trades, strong industry partnerships, Centres of Excellence and state-of-the-art infrastructure. For FY 2026-27, I propose **Rs.100 crore** under this scheme. Further, **Rs.260 crore** is allocated for ITIs, to ensure availability of modern training facilities, updated workshops and digital learning infrastructure.

46. “**Arogyam Paramam Dhanam – Sustha Odisha, Viksit Odisha**” is the guiding principle of our Government. Guided by this vision, we are moving steadily towards universal health coverage by ensuring equitable, affordable and quality health care for all. Our focus is on free and assured health services, strengthening human resources, developing state-of-the-art public health infrastructure, expanding service delivery, using medical technology, harnessing private health care providers, mainstreaming the AYUSH system and multi-skilling health workers. For FY 2026-27, I propose a massive outlay of **Rs.23,182 crore** for Health and Family Welfare which includes **Rs.17,737 crore** under programme expenditure. The expenditure proposed in health sector is more than 7.5% of the total budget size, which reflects our commitment, intent, and action.

47. To meet the growing needs of our people – from rising patient numbers and emergency cases to the challenges of chronic diseases and epidemic threats – we are launching a major expansion of our healthcare capacity across Odisha. We will add 5000 IPD beds across our Medical Colleges, District Headquarters, and Community Health Centres. We will create 1800 bedded

facility in SCB Medical College & Hospital. To ensure no one is left without life-saving support, we are installing 1000 advanced ICU beds equipped with ventilators and centralized monitoring, alongside 500 High Dependency Unit (HDU) beds for specialized critical care. This isn't just about infrastructure; we are also sanctioning the specialist doctors, nurses, and technicians needed to power these units, and procuring the latest biomedical equipment, including new dialysis units. This mission will ease hospital congestion, strengthen our emergency response, and build a world-class critical care backbone for every citizen in our State.

48. With integrated implementation of **Gopabandhu Jana Arogya Yojana (GJAY)** and **Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PMJAY)**, we are now providing assured and cashless health care to 1.03 crore families, covering about 3.46 crore individuals, through a nationwide network of more than 29,000 empanelled Government and private hospitals. For 2026-27 (BE), I propose an allocation of **Rs.4,279 crore** for these schemes.

49. Under the **National Health Mission (NHM)**, our Government is strengthening health-care services by expanding free drugs, diagnostics, dialysis, blood and ambulance services. Alongside this, under **NIRAMAYA**, free medicines, surgical and suture items, vaccines, anti-cancer drugs and blood products are being provided through an expanded network of drug distribution centres. For 2026-27 (BE), I propose **Rs.1,958 crore** under **NHM** and **Rs.786 crore** under **NIRAMAYA**.

50. To further strengthen access to essential services, free diagnostics and dialysis are being provided under **NIDAN**, including high-end investigations such as CT scan, MRI and X-ray with complete waiver of user charges. For 2026-27 (BE), I propose **Rs.371 crore** for **NIDAN**, **Rs.198 crore** for **Emergency Medical Ambulance Services (EMAS)**, and **Rs.183 crore** for **Swasthya Sahaya** for ASHA welfare.

51. **Mukhya Mantri Swasthya Seva Mission** serves as Odisha's primary initiative for expanding and modernizing health infrastructure to meet the needs of every citizen. This Mission involves the comprehensive redevelopment of major institutions like SCB - Cuttack and VIMSAR - Burla, alongside the large-scale creation of residential and non-residential facilities. Furthermore, the Government is establishing and maintaining a robust network of new Sub-District Hospitals, CHCs, and Ayushman Arogya Mandirs at the Gram Panchayat level to ensure grassroots healthcare access. Reflecting the strategic priority accorded to health infrastructure, I propose an outlay of **Rs.5,008 crore** in FY 2026-27 for this Mission.

52. As part of the new and major initiatives in FY 2026-27, our Government has placed a strong and strategic emphasis on large-scale upgradation of tertiary health infrastructure across the State. I propose a provision of **Rs.1,000 crore** for the redevelopment of SCB Medical College, Cuttack, and **Rs.600 crore** for redevelopment of MKCG Medical College, Berhampur and VIMSAR, Burla. To expand quality medical education and strengthen the AYUSH ecosystem, I propose for establishment of three new Ayurvedic Medical Colleges at Gajapati, Malkangiri and Rayagada, and two new Homoeopathy Medical Colleges at Nayagarh and Nuapada with an outlay of **Rs.140 crore**. Further, to strengthen primary health care outreach, I propose **Rs.176 crore** for establishment of 1,807 additional Sub-Centres across the State.

53. Further, to provide specialised emergency care and rehabilitation services, I propose establishment of dedicated Burn Units at Puri, Burla, Koraput, Berhampur and Capital Hospital, with an outlay of **Rs.200 crore** in FY 2026-27. For fire safety and solar power installations, I propose an outlay of **Rs.473 crore** in FY 2026-27.

54. Further, I propose to introduce a new scheme, "**Atala Rakta Dana Abhiyan**," covering establishment of blood banks in all Medical Colleges, upgradation and modernisation of all blood banks in the State, provision of 50

mobile blood collection units, and establishment of plasma fractionation centres. **Plasma Fractionation Centre** shall be established for in-State production of critical proteins in blood plasma, thereby reducing import dependency, ensuring optimal utilization of surplus plasma, and strengthening critical and emergency care services across Odisha.

55. Our Government has taken a strategic decision to significantly strengthen postgraduate medical education to ensure availability of specialist services across all districts and medical colleges, and I propose to increase 500 PG seats over the next two years. I also propose to introduce nursing, paramedical and allied health courses in districts where such Government facilities are not available.

56. Cancer is an emerging public health challenge in the State, causing significant morbidity and mortality. To ensure comprehensive cancer care, there is a need for early detection, timely treatment, personalized care, and access to advanced technologies through dedicated cancer care centres. Such centres also promote research and innovation in oncology. Accordingly, I propose to revamp the existing Odisha Cancer Care Plan (OCCP) as the “**Mukhya Mantri Cancer Care Abhiyan.**” I propose **Rs.311 crore** for the programme for taking up intensive community awareness, extensive village-level screening and mobile camps, Cancer Registry, a digital hub-and-spoke model for early treatment, and free patient transportation services.

57. Keeping the commitment made in the previous Budget, our Government will operationalise at least one Ayushman Arogya Mandir in each Panchayat, and adequate funds have been provided in FY 2026-27. We also propose to ensure availability of AYUSH medicines in all Ayushman Arogya Mandirs across Odisha to strengthen holistic and preventive healthcare. Further, I propose to enhance undergraduate and postgraduate seats under the AYUSH system by 2027 to strengthen education, research and workforce availability. I propose an outlay of **Rs.124 crore** in FY 2026-27. To strengthen yoga services, I propose

to enhance existing 8 yoga sessions to 20 sessions per month in all Ayushman Arogya Mandirs.

58. To promote advanced research and industrial growth, a dedicated **Odisha Pharma & Biotech Research and Innovation Centre** shall be launched to support oncology research, biologics development, herbal drug standardization, advanced therapy products, medical device innovation, and industry-academia collaboration.

59. I propose the upgradation of the **State Drug Testing & Research Laboratory** with modern analytical capabilities and NABL accreditation, along with implementation of a digital drug traceability and surveillance system. These measures shall strengthen regulatory oversight, ensure quality assurance of drugs and medical devices, and safeguard public health through enhanced enforcement and monitoring mechanisms.

60. To safeguard the quality of Government-supplied medicines and ensure supply chain integrity, I am happy to announce establishment of a **Central OSMCL Warehouse**. It will be constructed to enhance storage capacity for Government-supplied medicines and consumables.

61. To ensure that access to sports reaches every block and every aspiring athlete without being limited to cities alone, our focus is on completion and operationalisation of Block Level Stadiums in all districts to provide state-of-the-art training facilities at the grassroots level, with a total investment of **Rs.4,124 crore** over five years. As per the earlier commitment, we will expedite the work of a modern world class sports complex at Gothapatana, Bhubaneswar.

62. To enhance care, protection and rehabilitation services, I propose **Rs.109 crore** for residential and support facilities for senior citizens, persons with disabilities, transgender persons and beggars, including establishment of **Integrated Infrastructure Complexes**, maintenance of Old Age Homes and geriatric disability centres. Further, I propose **Rs.225 crore** for the **Welfare and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities**, and **Rs.16 crore** for De-

Addiction Programmes, to support rehabilitation and reintegration into mainstream society.

63. **Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)**, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), is an area development programme under which community infrastructure and basic amenities are being created in the identified Minority Concentrated Areas. An amount of **Rs.4 crore** has been proposed under the scheme for the year 2026-27. An amount of **Rs.5 crore** has been proposed for **Administration of Muslim Wakf Board** for the year 2026-27 and **Rs.45 lakh** for implementation of Economic Development Schemes for Minorities for the year 2026-27.

Hon'ble Speaker Madam,

64. For decades, Odisha powered India's industrial rise through leadership in coal, ferrous minerals and aluminium based industries. Today, with the support of Government of India, Odisha's industry is evolving from minerals to microchips.

65. Odisha is prioritising value-added manufacturing in employment-intensive sectors like textiles, food processing, and electronics and green energy through enabling infrastructure, policy support and ease of doing business. The State is targeting the creation of 10 million jobs by 2047. I propose an allocation of **Rs.1,970 crore** for Industry and MSME sector, which is more than 1.5 times the previous allocation during 2023-24.

66. Following the Odisha Pharma Summit, the Odisha Pharmaceutical & Medical Devices Policy 2025 was launched to build a globally competitive, innovation-driven ecosystem. To further accelerate this momentum, two high-level Roundtables were held at Hyderabad and Kolkata, where top industry leaders were engaged and invited to set up manufacturing units in the state. To facilitate these objectives, two dedicated parks will be developed by IDCO – a 500-acre **Odisha Pharma Park in Nayagarh** and a 200-acre **Odisha MedTech Park in Khordha**. This will reduce operating costs and boost export

competitiveness. Consequently, Odisha will be established as the premier life sciences hub of Eastern India and generate significant employment opportunities.

67. With rapid industrialization in the State, multiple large industrial clusters are emerging across Odisha. There is a need for planned and structured growth around emerging industrial clusters by creating well-serviced liveable and inclusive industrial townships with adequate physical, social and civic infrastructure thereby improving investment attractiveness and quality of life for workers. Residents' social infrastructure near workplaces are critical to productivity, retention and completeness of workers. For the purpose, provision of **Rs.10 crore** in FY 2026-27 is proposed under the scheme.

68. I am happy to intimate this august house about the initiative "**CM-SAMPADA**" to improve the quality of life for residents in mining-affected areas through a unique four-pronged approach: **Accelerate, Top-up, Initiate, and Monitor** by leveraging fundings from extra budgetary resources like DMF. It focuses on achieving 100% saturation of existing social benefits, enhancing current services with additional support, and launching new health and infrastructure interventions. By utilizing a real-time dashboard and a multi-tier review structure, it will ensure high accountability and effective delivery of essential services like healthcare, clean water, and education to vulnerable communities.

69. A **National Mega Shipbuilding Cluster** is coming up in **Kendrapara** with an investment of Rs.22,700 crore in partnership with the Odisha Maritime Board and Paradip Port Authority. An all-weather **Satellite Port at Bahuda Muhan** in Ganjam is being built with Rs.21,500 crore support from Sagarmala Finance Corporation Limited. National Waterway-5 will be operationalised with Rs.12,200 crore investment to improve inland cargo transport. An **International Cruise Terminal at Puri**, costing **Rs.500 crore**, will boost tourism and global connectivity.

70. For upgradation of State Highways and Major District Roads to standard specifications, construction of major bridges and for smooth traffic flow in urban areas, I propose an amount of **Rs.7,500 crore** under **Road Development Programme**. Sufficient allocation has been made for projects **Improvement of Jayadev Vihar–Nandankanan Road, Construction of the second High Level bridge over the river Kathajodi (Subash Bose Setu), Construction of the Keonjhar Bypass Road, Construction of the Burla Ring Road** from NH-53 MCL Chowk to Baijamunda Village Chowk, **Widening and strengthening of the Bhawanipatna-Kharia Road (SH-16), Improvement of the Phulnakhara-Niali-Madhaba Road,** and **Construction of an HL bridge over the river Mahanadi between Narsinghpur and Baliput** under this scheme.

71. To further strengthen regional air connectivity, development of new airports at Sativata, Jamadarpari, Dandbosh, Raisuan, Tusura, Amarda Road and Gotama, and new heliports at Nabarangpur, Phulbani and Taratarini have been taken up to improve last-mile access and support tourism and emergency services. I propose an allocation of **Rs.511 crore** for the year 2026-27.

72. I would like to highlight the sustained and proactive steps taken by the State Government to strengthen Odisha's Rail transport ecosystem. The State Government now proposes an enhanced allocation of **Rs.450 crore** in FY 2026-27 towards land acquisition and its committed share for major railway projects, including the Jeypore-Malkangiri, Jeypore-Nabarangpur, Puri-Konark, Bargarh-Nuapada, and Khurdha Road-Balangir railway projects.

73. To address the regional imbalance in development, an allocation of **Rs.500 crore** is proposed for **Western Odisha Development Council (WODC)**, **Rs.200 crore** each for the **South Odisha Development Council (SODC)** and **North Odisha Development Council (NODC)** and for infrastructure development in KBK districts an amount of **Rs.250 crore** has been proposed. Further, an outlay of **Rs.735 crore** is proposed under **MLALAD Scheme**. Besides, I propose to allocate another **Rs.142 crore** towards

Constituency Wise Allocation (CWA) during 2026-27. I hope, all Hon'ble MLAs would effectively utilize this fund for overall development of their localities.

74. Odisha is entering a decisive phase of urban transformation. I propose to invest of **Rs.10,738 crore** for Urban Development schemes and projects, which is 7.25% more than previous year's allocation. Under new initiative "**Liveable Cities Mission**" and "**Eight Model Industrial Cities Programme**" covering more than 50 cities, the Government is strengthening affordable housing, 24x7 water supply, solid waste management, public transport, walkable streets, and green and open spaces. These projects will be implemented by saturation of existing State and Central Government schemes.

75. To bridge critical urban infrastructure gaps, I propose **Rs.1,161 crore** under **Mukhyamantri Sahari Bikash Yojana**. For climate-resilient cities, **Rs.620 crore** has been proposed for storm-water drainage and sewerage projects, including those in Rourkela. To modernise urban mobility, **Rs.373 crore** is proposed for **Urban Transport Infrastructure**, along with **PM-e-Bus Sewa** support in major cities.

76. To accelerate urban transformation, I am introducing a new scheme "**Chief Minister Smart City Mission**" with an allocation of **Rs.100 crore**. This new initiative targets the comprehensive development of major cities through convergence of Urban Infrastructure Schemes and ensuring provision of basic urban facilities to become liveable.

77. I also propose **Rs.320 crore** under the "**Samruddha Sahara**" scheme which includes investment for comprehensive **Town Planning**, New City Development and Cities as Growth Hub covering area surveys, road infrastructure, and essential utilities like sewerage and electrification and, specifically targeting the **Bhubaneswar-Cuttack-Puri-Paradeep Economic Region (BCPPER)** and key urban clusters like Sambalpur and Berhampur.

78. To ensure asset sustainability and livelihood generation in urban areas, **Rs.200 crore** has been provided for **Urban Wage Employment** for

maintenance of parks and gyms under **Mukhyamantri Sahari Bikash Yojana (MSBY)**.

79. Ensuring universal water security in urban areas also remains a priority. Accordingly, I propose a combined investment of **Rs.1,767 crore** under the **SUJALA** and **AMRUT 2.0** schemes.

80. Sanitation is fundamental to urban dignity. To achieve a truly Swachha Odisha, the Government proposes a comprehensive outlay of **Rs.710 crore**, comprising **Rs.280 crore** under **Swachha Odisha** and **Rs.430 crore** under **Swachh Bharat Mission**, to fast-track bioremediation of legacy waste, operationalise waste-to-energy plants and modernise solid waste infrastructure. These interventions will create sustainable, healthy and pollution-free cities.

81. **Affordable Housing** is crucial component of the urban development which is reflected in the Vision Document – “**Viksit Odisha for Viksit Bharat.**” To achieve this, we are implementing **PMAY-Urban 2.0**. Further, we are undertaking several other initiatives to ensure affordable houses to Economically Weaker Section (EWS) beneficiaries. So, I am proposing a new **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban Beneficiary Assistance for Nurturing Development of Housing Units (PMAY-Urban BANDHU)**, which will complement Government of India scheme and help the State to achieve the said goal.

82. In this context, it is worth mentioning that we are planning to provide affordable houses to eligible landless beneficiaries under PMAY-U 2.0 across the State. To achieve this ambitious target, every year around 50 acres of land of our State will be earmarked for development of Affordable Housing Projects under Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP) vertical of PMAY-U 2.0.

83. For these objectives, I propose an outlay of Rs.5,160 crore for housing for the year 2026-27, which includes **Rs.2,445 crore** under **PMAY-G**, **Rs.30 crore** under **PM-JANMAN**, **Rs.565 crore** under **PMAY (U) 2.0**, **Rs.2,000 crore**

under **Antyodaya Gruha Yojana**, and **Rs.120 crore** under **PMAY Urban Bandhu**.

84. Strengthening generation capacity and modernising transmission and distribution networks to ensure 24×7 quality power supply for households, agriculture and industries remains a key priority. For the financial year 2026–27, I propose a Programme Budget of **Rs.4,505 crore** for the Energy Sector projects.

85. Under the **Mukhya Mantri Shakti Bikash Yojana (MMSBY)**, our Government is strengthening power sector infrastructure across both distribution and transmission segments, while extending focused support to Renewable Energy projects and Green Energy Evacuation. **Rs.800 crore** has been provided under **Odisha Distribution System Strengthening Project (ODSSP)** to continue and accelerate this critical work, and **Rs.249 crore** has been earmarked for **Green Energy Evacuation and Transmission Corridor** projects under MMSBY. Further, I propose **Rs.550 crore** for strengthening and future-proofing the high-voltage transmission network.

86. Our vision emphasises expansion of Renewable Energy while ensuring efficient and cleaner use of conventional power. Under the **Odisha Akshaya Shakti Bikash Yojana (OASBY)**, **Rs.200 crore** has been provided for development of **Green Hydrogen and Green Ammonia projects**. To complement the **Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Yojana**, the State will provide additional financial support for rooftop solar installations under OASBY. **Rs.495 crore** has been allocated for **State support to Rooftop Solar Projects**.

87. Under the **Mukhya Mantri Shakti Sanrakshana Abhijaan (MMSSA)**, our Government will promote energy efficiency, energy conservation and public awareness.

88. Our Government will leave no stone unturned for preservation, promotion and expansion of Odia language, literature and cultural heritage across the

State and beyond. For the purpose, the allocation of OLLC Department has been enhanced to **Rs.615 crore** which is more than last year.

89. A **State-of-the-Art Museum** will be set up in Bhubaneswar with an estimated project cost of Rs.800 crore which will showcase the historical, archaeological, and anthropological heritage of Odisha. This will give new direction to tourism and cultural research and provide an opportunity to the younger generation of Odisha, researchers, culture lovers and knowledge seekers from outside Odisha to know Odisha better.

90. In the second phase, we will take up comprehensive development of another 25 villages under the scheme “**Baraputra Aitihya Grama Yojana**” for which an allocation of **Rs.40 crore** has been made.

91. We aim to position Odisha’s handlooms and handicrafts as symbols of cultural pride and to transform the handlooms, textiles and handicrafts sector into a vibrant, sustainable and globally competitive livelihood sector. Our focus is on empowering weavers and artisans through skill upgradation, design and product innovation, technology adoption and assured market access, with special emphasis on protection of indigenous crafts, GI-tagged products and eco-friendly production, strengthening of value chains, branding and exports, and enhanced participation of women and youth. For this purpose, I propose an outlay of **Rs.382 crore**.

92. Further, I propose two new schemes – namely, **Mukhyamantri Bayanashilpa Bikasha Yojana** and **Mukhyamantri Resham Vikasha Yojana**, to be implemented during FY 2026–27, along with the **Mukhyamantri Hastatanta Bikasha Yojana (MHBK)** for the handloom sector. I propose an allocation of Rs.102 crore for the above schemes.

93. Appliqué work of Pipili is a colourful traditional craft with a GI tag and strong links to the Jagannath Temple in Puri. Many families depend on it for livelihood. Due to the new National highway, their market is less visible, reducing tourist visits and affecting sales. Our government has made a detailed

plan for construction of a new “Pipili Chandua Bajar” near Piili Toll Plaza with all modern facilities to attract the tourist and revitalise the old craft.

94. Our Government is pursuing a planned, inclusive and sustainable tourism strategy aligned with **Odisha Vision 2036 and 2047**. To promote event-based tourism, enable holistic destination development and build a diversified and resilient tourism portfolio, I propose a total provision of **Rs.1,023 crore** for the Tourism sector which is about 25% higher than last year’s allocation. To accelerate investment, I propose implementation of the **Odisha Tourism (Amendment) Policy, 2026** to enhance investment attractiveness, incentivise emerging tourism segments and support timely disbursement of investor incentives.

95. Under **Viksit Odisha Vision 2036 and 2047**, we are launching a new **Tourism Land Bank Scheme** to meet the growing land requirement for hospitality and tourism infrastructure. The State targets attracting more than 5 crore domestic and 7 lakh foreign tourists and creation of 25,000 hotel keys by 2047. Land has already been identified at 15 priority destinations and is under verification and processing by IDCO. For acquisition of land parcels, payment of premium and development of trunk infrastructure, **Rs.150 crore** is allocated for 2026-27.

96. Our Government will undertake holistic **Development of River Fronts** in 5 locations at Sambalpur and Cuttack on Mahanadi, Bhubaneswar on Daya River, Baripada on Budhabalanga and another on Baitarani River on the theme of cultural expression, tourism development, climate resilience and livelihood for locals for which projects worth **Rs.500 crore** have been conceived. For the purpose, I propose an amount of **Rs.100 crore** in the Programme Budget of H&UD Department and **Rs.80 crore** under Water Resources Department.

97. Our government is completing the pending works under the ABHADA, Samlei, EKAMRA and other temple and heritage development projects. This year, we have taken up infrastructure upgradation at Tarini Peetha and

construction of Mahima Gadi at Joranda. Similar improvements will be carried out at Tulasikhetra in Kendrapara and Birajakhetra in Jajpur. Additionally, we will develop the Samadhi Peetha of Sant Bhima Bhoi at Khaliapali, with a dedicated project worth **Rs.35 crore** announced for this purpose.

98. Our Government also proposes to establish a **Marine Aquarium at Puri** to encourage tourists to extend their stay which would increase local spending and boost the regional economy.

99. I also propose a new initiative named the **Odisha Homestay Establishment Scheme** to promote community-based tourism by encouraging homestay development across rural and emerging destinations, generating local livelihoods while offering authentic and immersive experiences to visitors.

100. We are focussing on Eco-tourism. We will add three more destinations, namely – Baliput in Cuttack District, and Nawana at Similipal and Deo in Karanjia in Mayurbhanj District, to the existing fifty-five sites in 2026-27. New Master Plan will be implemented at Nandankanan Zoo to elevate visitors' experiences at par with global standards.

101. The vision of Odisha in the forestry and wildlife sector is to achieve ecological security, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable livelihoods in harmony with nature which sync with **Odisha Vision 2036 and 2047** for environmental sustainability and ecological resilience as part of its development objectives. To add momentum, I propose an allocation of **Rs.1,906 crore** for Forest, Environment & Climate Change initiatives.

102. The historic sapling plantation initiative "**Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam**" (**One Tree in Mother's Name**) campaign launched by our Hon'ble Prime Minister aims to honour both mothers and Mother Earth by increasing green cover and combating the effects of climate change. This year we have planted about 7.5 crore saplings as a part of this historic plantation drive, which was conducted across all 30 districts of the state. We will continue this great initiative next year.

103. I propose establishment of a sub-centre of **Regional Plant Resource Centre (RPRC)** at **Sanghagara, Kenojhar District** at a project cost of **Rs.91 crore** from DMF funding and State Budget. For benefits of the Kendu leaf pluckers, I propose to allocate **Rs.17 crore** for sanitation and drinking water facility. We plan to continue our effort this year.

104. For FY 2026-27, under the Consolidation and Eco-restoration work in Chilika Lake, dredging will be undertaken in the Lead Channel, Balugaon Channel, Magarmukh Channel, Ferry Route and Palur Canal to address ecological and geo-morphological instability, restore tidal exchange, improve salinity balance and revitalise fish populations.

105. Under the able leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shree Narendra Modi, India's digital public infrastructure has created an unprecedented foundation for future. Odisha's approach has been to convert this national strength into local execution with global relevance, demonstrating how states can lead employment generation, digital integration, and long-term investment attraction.

106. The two-day **Black Swan Summit India** was organised in Bhubaneswar, organised by the Odisha Government under the BharatNetra initiative. Held for the first time in India, the summit aims to position Odisha as a growing hub for Artificial Intelligence, FinTech, and InsurTech, aligning with Vision 2036–2047 goals. The event has attracted over 1,700 delegates from 24 countries and nearly 100 global speakers, reflecting its international importance.

107. Our State offers an additional 50% of capital investment subsidy, given by government of India under **India Semiconductor Mission (ISM)** incentives. We have already approved major projects, including **Silicon Carbide (SiC) facility** by SiCsem Pvt. Ltd. and a 3D Glass Semiconductor Plant with a total investment of Rs.4,010 crore.

108. Our **O-Chip Program** is positioning the State as a key contributor to India's semiconductor design ecosystem. We have allocated **Rs.26 crore** this year and plans **Rs.108 crore** over five years to drive advanced chip designs, build 50+ companies, and create up to 6000 design jobs.

109. We are strengthening digital infrastructure to advance the Vision of Odisha. **Odisha State Data Centre 2.0** having three times the capacity of the existing SDC – is under implementation, along with a proposed **Disaster Recovery-cum-Data Centre** at **Keonjhar**. For the purpose I allocate **Rs.41 crore** under **State Infrastructure for State Data Centre**.

110. To provide required momentum to this sector, I propose Rs.1,108 crore under Programme Budget for Electronics & IT Sector which is substantially higher than previous year's allocation.

111. I propose to establish an **Iconic Science City** over 77 acres in Khordha district as a centre for science, technology, and translational innovation of global standards. The Science City shall be designed for immersive experiential learning for all ages, with sections for on-site innovation labs. We will invest about **Rs.300 crore** for the proposed science city in next five years and I propose an amount of **Rs.12 crore** for the purpose in 2026-27 (BE).

112. I propose to start "**Odisha State Innovation Mission**" to promote Odisha's presence and ranking in the Global Innovation Index. This will establish an innovation ecosystem to hone the critical and design thinking skills of its youth and entrepreneurs and acknowledges innovation as a key fulcrum for exponential growth and job creation.

113. We will establish "**Odisha Biotechnology Research Centre**" to promote advanced research and industrial growth in frontier biotechnology to encourage patent generation, technology transfer and commercialization. It will boost the knowledge driven bio-economy of the State and will reinforce Odisha's emergence as a competitive biotechnology destination.

114. When institutions listen and respond with empathy, trust grows naturally. Digital and transparent systems will bring services to every doorstep assuring safety, dignity and fairness in every corner of Odisha. We have identified some key areas for focus in the 2026-27 (BE).

115. “**State AI Mission**” to support Departments in integrating AI into governance and service delivery is essential for enhancing efficiency, accuracy, and responsiveness of state systems. At the same time, it will enable evidence-based policymaking, improve targeting of public services, and strengthen last-mile delivery for citizens. This coordinated effort will create scalable, secure, and reusable capabilities that improve service quality, transparency, and citizen outcomes, contributing meaningfully to the **Vision of Viksit Odisha 2036**. As a new mission, I propose an allocation of **Rs.23 crore** for this purpose.

116. Since the day, our Government assumed Office, about 39,500 youths have been appointed to different Government services in 25 Departments and the process for recruitment of another 43,000 posts are in advance stage. This will not only provide quality jobs to our youths but also help in public service delivery.

117. It is our foremost duty to listen to the grievances of people. Out of 15.50 lakh receipts of grievances, more than 91 percent have been disposed.

118. Odisha State Workflow Automation System (OSWAS) will be expanded up to Block and Tahasil levels through a mission-mode rollout to make the administration paperless, accountable and transparent.

119. To match the rigorous standards of national schemes like PMGSY, a formal State Quality Monitor (SQM) system will be rolled out for assets being developed under State-funded schemes. Dedicated SQMs will provide independent oversight during both the construction phase and the post-construction defect liability period to ensure quality assurance through defect prevention, rather than defect detection after construction.

120. For Rehabilitation and Maintenance of Old Bridges, we have emphasized systematic inspection and maintenance of bridges. This includes conservation and rational management of recently constructed major bridges, as well as restoration and strengthening of old bridges.

121. Our Government is prioritising technology-led and citizen-centric reforms to strengthen public safety, justice delivery and good governance. I propose **Rs.117 crore** under the **Subhadra Surakhya Yojana**. To further strengthen emergency response and ensure faster access to police, fire and medical services, I propose **Rs.61 crore** for the Emergency Response Support System (ERSS – Dial 112).

122. To improve the quality of investigation, speed of justice and trust in the criminal justice system, I propose **Rs.30 crore** for strengthening **Forensic Science Laboratories** for timely and high-quality forensic examination, and **Rs.33 crore** for the **Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS)** to enable seamless digital integration of police stations and criminal records. To address emerging digital threats and cybercrime, I propose **Rs.89 crore** for creation of a **Centre of Excellence for Cyber Security**, which will strengthen cyber monitoring, digital forensics, capacity building and advanced response capabilities, and significantly enhance the State's preparedness for technology-driven crime and secure digital governance.

123. To strengthen institutional presence of the State and improve administrative coordination and capacity building, I propose **Rs.45 crore** for construction of **Bhawan, Sadan and Niwas buildings at New Delhi**, and **Rs.68 crore** for construction of **Bhawan buildings at different cities** across the country. Further, to strengthen Odisha's institutional and administrative outreach in southern India, I propose **Rs.13 crore** for construction of **Odisha Bhawan at Bengaluru**. Apart from that there is provision of **Rs.1,369 crore** for residential and non-residential buildings for Judiciary, Police, Fire and Jails.

124. On the occasion of **Independence Day 2025**, our Government had announced establishment of a **Police Memorial in Bhubaneswar** on the line of National Police Memorial, New Delhi in memory of all those Policemen who laid down their lives in the line of duty. This memorial will be built in the campus of 7th Battallion OSAP, Bhubaneswar. This will commemorate martyred Policemen of Odisha, provide a ceremonial space for Police Commemoration Day, develop a heritage and knowledge hub on Policing History of Odisha and promote public – police trust and emotional connect. I propose an outlay of **Rs.10 crore** for this purpose. This will stand as a symbol of sacrifice, service and convey State's gratitude and our commitment to honour our protector, preserving institutional memory and inspiring future generations towards Police Service and National Duty.

125. Hon'ble Union Home Minister has set a firm national target to end the Naxalite/Left-Wing Extremism problem in India by March 31, 2026. We are approaching it both in hard and soft manner. On one hand we are intensifying the operation with the help of Central Armed Police forces and on the other hand we are offering incentives to naxal cadres who give up arms, thereby helping reduce extremist ranks under a comprehensive surrender and rehabilitation policy. We are hopeful in achieving the target.

126. Odisha's geography makes it a frontline State for natural disasters, ranging from devastating cyclones along our coast to severe droughts and landslides in the mid and western highlands. To strengthen our state's resilience against these recurring threats, I am allocating **Rs.5,375 crore** towards the **Disaster Risk Management Fund**. This includes **Rs.2,147 crore** under **State Disaster Risk Management Fund** and **Rs.3,228 crore** under **National Disaster Risk Management Fund**.

Tax Related Proposals

127. There was a demand from various organizations over the years to withdraw the Profession Tax with the justification that Profession Tax is a tax on

income and when there is separate collection of Income tax, this leads to double taxation. This was also a demand during the Pre-Budget Consultation meeting. Considering the above justification, I propose to withdraw Taxes on Profession from 1st April 2026. The State will forgo annual revenue of around **Rs.320 crore**.

128. Now I propose the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 for **Rs.3,10,000 crore**. I propose to increase the Programme Budget to **Rs.1,80,000 crore** in the Budget Estimates, 2026-27, which is about 58% of the total Budget Estimates. Capital Outlay of **Rs.72,100 crore** estimated in this Budget is **6.5 per cent** of the Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) and 23.3% of the State Budget, which is one of the highest among all major States in the country.

129. The Administrative Expenditure is proposed at **Rs.1,14,000 crore** in 2026-27. The outlay for Disaster Risk Management Funds will be **Rs.5,375 crore**. Transfers from State will have an outlay of **Rs.10,625 crore**. We propose to transfer **Rs.3,056 crore** on the recommendations of 16th Finance Commission and around **Rs.7,450 crore** on the recommendations of the 6th State Finance Commission to the rural and urban local bodies of the State.

130. We will be able to generate revenue surplus of about **3 per cent** of GSDP and fiscal deficit will be limited to **3.5 per cent** of GSDP for the year 2025-26. Thus, the Annual Budget, 2025-26 would be FRBM compliant.

131. Our Budget is a testament to our dedication to Odisha's progress. Odisha is ready to take a leading role in the national journey toward a **Viksit Bharat** during this **Amrit Kaal**. To realize the **Odisha Vision 2036 & 2047**, we need the energy and cooperation of the people to implement the six pillars of our development strategy. Together, let's build the future our State deserves.

132. I conclude with the following lines of the great Odia poet Bhaktakabi Sri Madhusudan Rao from his famous creation "Utkala Gatha"

“ଉଠ ହେ ଉତ୍କଳବାସୀ,
ଦୂରେ ଫିଙ୍ଗି ଦୁଃଖରାଶି,
ଛେଦି ଜଡ଼ତାର ନାଗପାଶ,
ସକଳ ଦୁରିତଜିଣା
ବିଶ୍ୱରାଣୀ ବାଣୀବୀଣା
ବାଜେ ପୁରି ଉତ୍କଳ ଆକାଶ ହେ ନରନାରୀ ”

I place the Budget Estimates for 2026-27 for the approval of this August House.

// Vande Utkal Janani //

// Jai Hind //

