

CULTURE BUDGETING

The West Bengal government, in its Budget 2012-13, has increased the outlays on cultural heads, but at the same time cut allocation for the departments of panchayat and rural development, urban development, women and child development, and social welfare



State's expenditure in the Department of Information and Culture

(Figures in ₹ lakh)

Total	
Actuals '10-'11	750
'11-'12 (BE)	6,100
'11-'12 (RE)	4,800
'12-'13 (BE)	11,000

Dept of Information and Culture	Actuals 2010-11	2011-12 (BE)	2011-12 (RE)	2012-13 (BE)
Bankim, Vidyasagar and Rabindra awards	-	5	3.5	10
Construction and development of Rabindra Cultural Institution	-	20	15	1,500
Fairs and festivals	157	50	50	500
Construction of folk village	100	200	100	1
Film festivals	0.5	0.8	0.6	1
Financial assistance to distressed persons in the field of culture	7	35	15	10
Awards	5	15	8	100
Construction and renovation of public halls	17	294	200	800
Acquisition of studios	-	5	2.4	1,855
Modernisation of studios/laboratories	0.2	182	90	900

Source: West Bengal Budget 2012-13

Budget outlays for panchayats and rural development

(Figures in ₹ crore)

Total figures	
Actuals '10-'11	2,045
'11-'12 (BE)	2,592
'11-'12 (RE)	2,971
'12-'13 (BE)	2,716

Panchayats and rural development	Actuals 2010-11	2011-12 (BE)	2011-12 (RE)	2012-13 (BE)
State share of expenditure on NREGS	270	195	223	135
Assistance to ZP for implementation of PMGSY scheme	7.4	18	60	45
Assistance to PRB for sewerage and sanitation	30	29.8	61	21.3
Assistance to PRB for running Sishu Siksha Kendra	3.7	5	50	19.3
Assistance to PRB for Madhya Siksha Karmasuchi	3.7	5	20	19.3
Assistance to PRB for implementation of PF scheme for landless agricultural labourers	2.2	7	7	4.6

ZP- Zilla Parishad, PRB-Panchayati Raj Bodies, PF-Provident Fund, NREGS- National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, PMGSY-Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana

Source: West Bengal Budget 2012-13

Budget outlays for 15 of the 65 departments of the West Bengal government

(Figures in ₹ crore)

Total	
Actuals '10-'11	11,837
'11-'12 (BE)	20,949
'11-'12 (RE)	18,008
'12-'13 (BE)	23,371
% change over 2011-12 (RE)	29.7

Major Heads	Actuals 2010-11	2011-12 (BE)	2011-12 (RE)	2012-13 (BE)	% chg over '11-12 (RE)
Agriculture	290	267	239	315	31
Backward classes welfare	329	381	417	442	5
Commerce and industries	277	440	340	500	47
Health and family welfare	473	871	663	1,049	58
Higher education	108	220	165	240	45
Information and culture	7.5	61	48	110	129
Irrigation and waterways	211	1,408	712	1,568	120

Major Heads	Actuals 2010-11	2011-12 (BE)	2011-12 (RE)	2012-13 (BE)	% chg over '11-12 (RE)
Minority affairs and madrasa education	113	330	289	570	97
Municipal affairs	1,077	1,835	1,330	1,933	45
Panchayats and rural development	2,045	2,592	2,971	2,716	-8.5
Power and non-conventional energy sources	402	520	504	1,010	100
Public works	502	688	593	797	34
School education	1,618	2,686	2,446	2,713	10
Urban development	865	1,650	1,530	1,233	-19
Women and child dev and social welfare	715	922	1,081	1,015	-6

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BE: Budget Estimates, RE: Revised Estimates

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