

ANNUAL PLAN  
1985-86



DRAFT PROPOSALS  
FOR  
GENERAL EDUCATION  
FROM  
GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM

( PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT )



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EDUCATION

The target of universalising elementary education is one of the important objectives of the Seventh Plan. In Sikkim a lot of progress has been achieved in education but there are a few problems which have to be tackled in a meaningful way if any progress is to be made towards the fulfilment of National objectives. One of these problems is the rate of drop outs which is fairly alarming. The other is the need to improve the quality of teachers and yet another is the tremendous backlog of physical construction work in the form of class rooms which have to be made good. Besides these elementary aspects the educational plan has to take into account the need to develop vocational skills and to improve science teaching in general so that the boys and girls of the State have a better chance to compete with their counterparts in other States. All round development of education also includes a better system at the collegiate level and the improvement of sports and youth activities at all levels. The Seventh Plan has been formulated keeping these basic aspects in mind for which purpose in the first year of the plan a sum of Rs.520 lakhs is proposed for the following schemes:

Scheme No. 1: Elementary Education: Rs.234 lakhs.

The outlay will be used for consolidating the educational system at the elementary level by making good the back log of teachers, class rooms, furniture, etc. and by catering to an increased enrolment. In classes I to V the enrolment is expected to increase from 60,105 to 6,2000 and in classes VI to VIII from 13,423 to 15,000. Apart from general teachers language teachers will also be appointed to cover the 4 languages - namely, Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo and Nepali in addition to English and Hindi. Better facilities for production and distribution of text books will also be integrated into the educational system. Out of the outlay of Rs.234 lakhs as much as Rs.82 lakhs is to be used

for construction purposes.

Among the proposals for construction one important scheme is the setting up of ashram type of school which will be fully residential. At least two such schools will be set up in 1985-86.

Scheme No. 2: Secondary Education:- Rs.125 lakhs.

In the field of Secondary education also the emphasis will be on consolidation although to cater to the children passing out of class VIII there will be need to upgrade atleast some of the junior high schools. The enrolment level in classes IX & X is expected to increase from 3,105 to 4,000 and from classes XI to XII from 928 to 1,000. In the post high school stage the enrolment in the vocational stream is expected to touch atleast 60. At the secondary level recruitment of trained and untrained post graduate teachers will have to be taken up to meet the deficiencies. As in the case of elementary education construction work will also absorb more money and accordingly Rs.42 lakhs out of Rs.125 lakhs is for construction purposes.

Scheme No. 3: Higher Education:-Rs.45 lakhs.

This outlay is for meeting the expenses for the Government Degree College for which a part of the building work is yet to be complete. A part of the outlay will also be used for Government Law College and for setting up of a Sikkim University.

Scheme No. 4. Teacher Education: Rs.36 lakhs.

This is one of the most important scheme of the Department wherein Teachers' Training Institute at Gangtok will be strengthened and to meet the growing demands another TTI will be established in one of the district headquarters. In-service training will be imparted at various levels and the various centrally sponsored schemes with UNICEF help through the SIE will be implemented.

Scheme No. 5. Games, Sports and Youth Welfare:- Rs.30 lakhs.

This provision is intended to take care of all youth welfare activities including NCC and games and sports in the various schools in the State. Separate provision will be made for games and sports for girls and an adhoc amount will be granted to the Sikkim Football Association which conducts major tournaments in the State.

Scheme No. 6. Adult Education:- Rs 10 lakhs.

This provision is for meeting the State's share of organising adult education in the various centres of the State which is expected to increase to about 500 during the year.

Scheme No. 7: Scholarships and Stipends:- Rs.30 lakhs.

The outlay is for meeting not only pre-matric scholarships but also scholarships for students studying in higher institutions outside the State.

Scheme No. 8:- Direction and Administration:- Rs.10 lakhs.

This outlay is for the establishment of the Directorate which would be progressively strengthened.

<u>ABSTRACT</u>	<u>(Rs. in lakhs)</u>
1. Elementary Education	234.00
2. Secondary Education	125.00
3. Higher Education	45.00
4. Teacher Education	36.00
5. Games, sports and youth Welfare	30.00
6. Adult Education	10.00
7. Scholarships and stipends	30.00
8. Direction and Administration	10.00

Total: 520.00

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