

CHAPTER - 3

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Due to rapid urbanization, the rural population and number of rural villages of NCT of Delhi has been decreasing. As an economy moves towards a progressive state, rural area automatically converted into urban area, consequently reduces the number of villages and the rural population. As per Census 1951, there were 304 rural villages in Delhi with the population of 3.07 lakh (18%) of the total population of 17.44 lakh. Subsequently in the Census 2001, the no. of rural village decreased to 165 with the population of 9.45 lakh (6.82%) of the total population of 138.51 lakh. Further in the Census 2011, the no. of rural villages reduced to 112 with the population of 4.19 lakh (2.50% of the total population of 167.88 lakh). The total area of Delhi is 1483 Sq. Km., out of which 558.32 Sq. Km. was rural area as per Census 2001. Now as per Census 2011, the rural area is 369.35 Sq. Km (24.91%). The tasks of developmental works in the rural villages are entrusted to Project Director, Rural Development Department.

The rural development works are carried out by the executive agencies such as I&FC Department, North Delhi Municipal Corporation, South Delhi Municipal Corporation and DJB. Revised outlay & expenditure of Annual Plan 2013-14, Approved outlay & Revised outlay of Annual plan 2014-15 and outlay for annual plan 2015-16 for the Rural Development Sector are as under:-

(₹ in Crore)

Sector	Annual Plan 2013-14		Annual Plan 2014-15		Plan Outlay 2015-16
	Revised Outlay	Expenditure	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	
Rural Development	185.00	177.05	218.00	119.00	189.00

A. RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Delhi Rural Development Board

To ensure overall development and to monitor the progress of implementation of projects executed by various agencies, the Delhi Rural Development Board (DRDB) was constituted in October, 2004. Delhi Rural Development Board (DRDB) is re-constituted from time to time with the aim to formulate a unified area plan for rural areas of Delhi and to monitor projects and schemes being implemented by all agencies such as Municipal Corporations of Delhi, Irrigation and Flood Control Department, Development Deptt. etc. It is recently reconstituted in the month of May, 2015. The Board's function is to advise the Government on issues connected with the infrastructure development for securing planned growth of rural area of Delhi under Integrated Development of Rural Villages Scheme. The Board meets at regular intervals to review the progress of the implementation of the schemes/works relating to rural area development under Integrated Development of Rural Villages Scheme (IDRV).

The following natures of works are recommended by the DRDB:

- i) Construction/ Repair of approach roads/ Link roads/ village roads.
- ii) Construction of drainage facility mainly to protect from flooding.
- iii) Development of cremation grounds, parks, playgrounds, vyamshalas etc.
- iv) Development of ponds/ water bodies.
- v) Other need based works like drinking water facility, street lights etc.

1. Integrated Development of Rural Villages (IDRV) Works

Annual Plan Outlay 2015-16 : ₹ 17500 Lakh (Capital)

The various development works executed in rural villages under IDRV include construction/reconstruction of approach roads/link roads, drainage, development of ponds, parks, cremation grounds, playgrounds and other need-based works as approved by the Delhi Rural Development Board.

After preliminary scrutiny and their feasibility in terms of availability of land, cost involved etc., the schemes are placed before the DRDB, who priorities the work and recommends their execution through appropriate agency like MCD, I&FC, DJB etc.

During the financial year 2012-13, 679 proposals of works amounting to ₹ 697.90 crores were approved by DRDB in its meeting held on 23.05.2012 and 160 proposals of ₹ 112.76 crores were approved in its meeting held on 14.09.2012. During the year 2013-14, 439 schemes of ₹ 374.10 crores were approved by DRDB in its meeting held on 08.05.2013. Thus the total 1278 proposals/schemes of about ₹ 1185 crores were approved by DRDB during 2012-13 and 2013-14. Out of which, 322 schemes amounting of ₹ 248.45 crores sanctioned and A/A & E/S issued during 2012-13, 14 schemes for ₹ 13.04 crore sanctioned and A/A & E/S issued during 2013-14 and 346 schemes including new schemes for ₹ 173.45 crore were sanctioned and A/A & E/S issued during 2014-15. An outlay of ₹ 98.00 crore was provided for the year 2014-15 for the execution of rural development works out of which an expenditure of ₹ 97.74 crore has been incurred on various works.

The details of approved works recommended by the DRDB in its last three meetings are given below:

(₹ In Crore)			
S. No	Date of DRDB Meeting	No. of works/ proposals approved by DRDB	Cost of works/proposals approved by the DRDB
1	23.05.2012	679	698.00
2	14.09.2012	160	112.76
3	08.05.2013	439	374.10
	Total	1278	1184.86

The works sanctioned under IDRV scheme as per recommendation of DRDB including spillover works, would be completed by the concerned executing agencies in 2015-16.

The expenditure reported by the department under the plan scheme of IDRV during 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 is as follows:

S. No.	Year	Plan Outlay (₹ In crore)	Expenditure (₹ In crore)
1	2012-13	200.00	198.07
2	2013-14	169.60	161.81
3	2014-15	98.00	97.74

Physical Achievement

During the year 2014-15, 346 IDRV works of ₹ 173.45 crore were sanctioned to be implemented by the different agencies as follows:

Type/ Nature of Work	I&FC	North DMC	South DMC	DJB	Total
Roads and Drains	157	96	26	-	279
Drains	5	-	1	-	6
Ponds/ Water body	14	-	-	-	14
Community Centre	2	-	-	-	2
Park	9	-	-	-	9
Cremation Grounds	27	1	-	-	28
Vyamsala/ Play Ground	8	-	-	-	8
Culvert	0	-	-	-	-
High Mask Light	0	-	-	-	-
Water Supply (DJB)	0	-	-	-	-
Total Works	222	97	27	-	346
Total Sanctioned Amount (₹ In crore)	146.16	9.49	17.80	0	173.45

Status of works sanctioned to I&FC till 01.04.2014 under IDRV Scheme:

Details of DRDB Works	No. of sanctioned works pending with I&FC	Amt (₹ in crore)	Completed Works	Total works to be completed	Amt of completed works (₹ in crore)	In progress works	Tender / Award Stage Works	Estimate Stage/ NIT stage works	Held-up works	Rescinded/ Cancelled/ Dropped/ Foreclosed works
Spill Over Works Sanctioned upto 01.04.2014	103	115.38	43	60	50.69	18	0	0	30	12

Status of DRDB works sanctioned to South DMC:

At the beginning of the financial year 2014-15, an unspent amount of ₹ 314.49 Lakh was available with SDMC. Out of the available funds of ₹ 314.49 lakh with SDMC, an expenditure of ₹ 104.45 lakh was reported up to 30.11.2014.

Out of 85 ongoing works/schemes of ₹ 42.08 crore, 80 works of ₹ 36.66 crore were complete, 3 works were in progress, 01 work was under award and for 01 work

tender is to be called. During 2014-15 sanctions of 27 works/schemes amounting to ₹ 17.80 crore have been issued to SDMC.

Status of DRDB works sanctioned to North DMC:

At the commencement of the year 2014-15, an unspent amount of ₹ 182.09 lakh was available with North DMC and an amount of ₹ 180.00 lakh was spent during the 2014-15 and unspent balance of ₹2.09 lakh was available as on 30.11.2014.

Out of the 3 ongoing works / schemes of ₹ 11.061 crore, 2 works were completed and for 1 work tender is to be called. During 2014-15, sanctions of 97 works amounting ₹ 9.49 crore have been issued to North DMC.

Status of DRDB works sanctioned to DJB:

Expenditure Sanctions of ₹ 5.30 Crore were issued to DJB for 24 works and funds of ₹ 5.12 crore were released during 2011-12. As per progress report of DJB, out of 24 sanctioned works, 17 works were completed with expenditure of ₹ 121.37 lakh. Work order issued for 4 works, 2 works abandon, 1 works under tendering process. An amount of unspent balance of ₹ 390.63 was available with DJB as on 01.04.2014. For revised schemes, fund of ₹ 335.13 Lkash also released to DJB in November, 2014. Therefore, total funds of ₹ 725.76 lakh were available with DJB during 2014-15.

2. Maintenance of Multi Purpose Community Centre's constructed under Mini Master Plan (MMP) for Development of Rural Villages

Annual Plan Outlay 2015-16 : ₹ 198 Lakh (Revenue)

In the rural area 78 Multi Purpose Community Centre's (MPCCs) were constructed under the Mini Master Plan for development of rural village. During the financial year 2014-15, a budget of ₹ 50.00 lakh under the said head has been provided for maintenance of MPCCs. The whole funds were released to I &FC for execution of the schemes/sanction of repair & maintenance of these MPCC's.

Now all these MPCC's with complete management & maintenance thereof, have been transferred to the concerned Deputy Commissioners under the Revenue Department in accordance with the approval of the then Chief Minister Govt. of NCT of Delhi vide order No. F/PDRD/Estate/Mgmt of MPCC/2004/3121-3132 dated 16.08.2004 & subsequent F5(166)/Misc./AC/2005/Div.Comm/Nr/2496-2501 dated 16.06.2014.

During the Annual Plan 2015-16 repair and maintenance of Multi Purpose Community Centers would be carried out as proposed by the concerned Dy. Commissioners and also as per the recommendation of DRDB.

B) Directorate of Panchayat

Directorate of Panchayat is functioning under the administrative control of Divisional Commissioner. On supersession of Panchayats by an order of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Delhi on 25/1/1990, all the duties, powers and functions of the Panchayats were to be discharged by the Dy. Commissioners, Delhi and subsequently vide notification dated 25/6/97 to the nine districts Dy. Commissioners on decentralization of the Dy. Commissioner, Delhi office. Further vide an order dated 8/1/2004 issued by Pr. Secretary (Revenue)/ Divisional Commissioner, it has exclusively been made clear that Deputy Commissioners shall exercise control and supervision and discharge the powers and functions backed by the responsibility under the Delhi Panchayati Raj Act and Rules and shall ensure compliance of all officers working under them from the Panchayat Department. Director (Panchayat) has been confined to function as a Branch officer of the Headquarter.

Over 1000 acres of Gaon Sabha land is allotted and still being allotted to Govt. Departments for public utility in Delhi by the Directorate of Panchayat. On allotment, the premium charged and ground rent is recovered from lessee annually which is deposited in respective Gram Sabha Area. Fund is being maintained by BDO in district. As far as allotment of Gaon Sabha land is concerned, as a policy, Gaon Sabha land can only be allotted to Govt. Departments for developing facilities for the local community such as schools, hospitals/dispensaries and community centre etc. with the prior approval of Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Delhi.

Development of Chaupals, Panchayat Ghars, Barat Ghars, Protection of Gram Sabha Land

Annual Plan Outlay 2015-16	:	₹ 1202 Lakh
Revenue	:	₹ 2 Lakh
Capital	:	₹ 1200 Lakh

The revenue outlay to be utilized for maintenance & office expenses and capital outlay to be utilized on construction of boundary wall on vacant Gaon Sabha Land and construction/ demolition & reconstruction/ repair & renovation of chaupals, barat ghars/ panchayat ghars and removal of hyacinths from the village ponds.