The State Government has formulated Five State Missions and Eleven Special Focus Areas of Development for achieving through multi-disciplinary and multi-departmental co-ordination. The Five State Missions are:

- Mission for water resource management and revival of Kudimaramath
- Mission for housing to achieve hut-free villages and slum-free cities
- Mission for poverty reduction and economic empowerment of poor
- Mission for clean Tamil Nadu
- Mission for skill development

The Eleven Special Focus Areas of Development are:

- Agriculture and allied sector development
- Strengthening urban infrastructure
- Tourism promotion
- Promote Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- Infrastructure development including roads, power, minor ports, irrigation and drinking water
- Industrial investment through corridor based development and improving ease of doing business
- Education to all with focus on quality
- Health for all
- Social security with focus on women and children
- Strengthening urban transportation
- Governance and transparency

POVERTY REDUCTION

This Government has launched a State Mission on Poverty Reduction in both rural and urban areas with a multi-pronged approach.

- The ‘Tamil Nadu Rural Transformation Project’ will be taken up with the World Bank assistance at a cost of Rs.900 crores in 120 Blocks.

- The ‘Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihood Mission’ and the ‘National
Rural Livelihood Mission’ will cover all the 385 Blocks in the State

✓ An amount of Rs.355.81 crores for rural poverty reduction schemes and Rs.350 crores have been provided for urban livelihood programmes have been provided in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

EMPLOYMENT AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT

✓ The State Mission on skill development will impart skills to 20 million persons as stated in the Vision Tamil Nadu 2023 Document.

✓ Tie-ups of potential employers like industrial units with academic institutions will be encouraged to enhance the employability of the educated youth and to ensure benchmarking of skill training in alignment with the National Skill Qualification framework.

✓ During 2016-2017, it is proposed to train two lakh youth for skill development under the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Mission.

✓ A sum of Rs.150 crores has been earmarked in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for this Mission.

✓ District Level Private Placement Assistance Cells created in 37 District Employment Offices, organise job-melas and facilitate face-to-face interviews.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

✓ The profiles of 217 infrastructure projects in six major sectors have been spelt out in the Part-II of Vision Tamil Nadu 2023 document.

✓ Works for 88 projects have already started and 16 projects have reached bidding stage. Detailed Project Reports and Detailed Feasibility Studies have been prepared for 24 projects are ready for launch.

✓ In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.2,000 crores has been allocated for ‘Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Development Fund’ and Rs.100 crores has been allocated for the ‘Project Preparation Fund’.

✓ The Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Fund as an Alternative Investment
Fund Category-I (AIF-I) has been promoted through the Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Fund Management Corporation (TNIFMC), which is now in the process of mobilizing the first financial close of Rs.3,000 crores. These resources will be used to fund new infrastructure projects in the State during 2016-2017.

- The State performed better as the Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) growth rate in 2015-2016 is estimated at 8.79% as against the All India Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth rate of 7.57% at 2011-2012 constant prices.

- The State Plan expenditure target for 2016-2017 set at Rs.60,610 crores.

- For 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.100 crores is allocated for the ‘State Balanced Growth Fund’ (SBGF) to reduce socio-economic imbalances in 105 backward blocks through flexible programmes.

- The ‘Special Area Development Programme’ will be implemented with an allocation of Rs.75 crores during 2016-2017.

- Under the Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII), 115 projects have been taken up at an outlay of Rs.250.49 crores to pilot innovative ideas.

- In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.150 crores has been provided for TANII scheme.

**TAMIL DEVELOPMENT**

- The ‘Amma Literary Award’ for eminent women writers, ‘World Tamil Sangam Award’ for Tamil Scholars across the globe, ‘The Best Translator Award’ for outstanding translators will be given from this year onwards.

- A total sum of Rs.32.94 crores is provided for the Tamil Development Department in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

**ROAD SAFETY**

- An amount of Rs.165 crores has been provided for the Road Safety Fund in this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.
Under CRIDP, an amount of Rs.150 crores is earmarked for the Road Safety Component to correct black spots in highly accident-prone areas.

**LAW AND ORDER**

- A Naxalite Special Duty Wing in 10 border Districts has effectively controlled the activities of Left Wing Extremism.

- 500 fishermen youth were appointed as Marine Home Guards in 13 coastal Districts, which is a first of its kind initiative in the Country.

- Buildings will be constructed for the remaining 64 Police Stations, functioning in the private rental buildings.

- Under the ‘Modernisation of Police Force’ (MPF), Rs.50.10 crores has already been sanctioned towards purchase of vehicles, equipment for security, communication, surveillance, etc. In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, Rs.68.62 crores has been provided for MPF.

- Under the ‘Crime and Criminal Tracking Network System’ (CCTNS), 1,482 Police Stations and 479 higher offices throughout the State have been connected. Besides, sanctioning Rs.22.14 crores from State funds for various components including the addition of 938 special units in the CCTNS.

- The Government will take up construction of 2,673 houses for Police Personnel at a cost of Rs.422 crores in the year 2016-2017.

- In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.6,102.95 crores has been allocated for the Police Department.

**FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES**

- A sum of Rs.230.07 crores has been allocated to this Department in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

**PRISONS**

- In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.282.92 crores has been allocated for the Prisons Department.
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

✓ In the last five years, 223 new courts have been constituted, new buildings at a cost of Rs.486.26 crores have been constructed, and additional Judges and necessary supporting staff have been sanctioned.

✓ Established Regional Centres of State Judicial Academy at Coimbatore and Madurai at a cost of Rs.28.10 crores.

✓ Digitization of court records of the High Court of Madras is under progress at a cost of Rs.9.43 crores.

✓ A sum of Rs.993.24 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for Administration of Justice.

GOVERNANCE

✓ The e-Sevai Centres are offering more than 100 public services at present and the number of services will be scaled up to 300 during this year.

✓ The proposed constitution of Lokayukta will make a significant impact in ensuring clean administration and accountability in governance.

✓ The process of establishing the ‘State Resident Data Hub’ (SRDH) has been almost completed. It will facilitate rolling out of a biometric-Aadhaar enabled payment system to disburse welfare benefits to citizens.

REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

✓ The Government under the Hon’ble Chief Minister has created 65 new Taluks and 9 new Revenue Divisions in the past five years.

✓ The infrastructure of the Revenue Department will be further improved by constructing buildings for 15 Taluk Offices and 5 Revenue Divisional Offices and a new building for Assistant Director, Survey Department at Kancheepuram at a total cost of Rs.51.57 crores.

✓ The online patta transfer system, originally piloted in select Taluks, is now ready to be launched throughout the State.

✓ During the year 2016-2017, 3.50 lakh house site pattas will be given. The Government will adopt
an innovative approach, promote multi-storied buildings and issue joint pattas to the houseless families in areas, where land is scarce and costly. The Rural Development Department will construct houses in such patta lands by adopting flexible housing designs.

✓ In the last five years, under the ‘Chief Minister’s Uzhavar Padhukappu Thittam’, a sum of Rs.3,039 crores was disbursed to 37.67 lakh beneficiaries as assistance under various schemes. For this scheme, an amount of Rs.206 crores has been allocated in the Revised Budget 2016-2017

✓ A sum of Rs.5,686 crores has been allocated for the Revenue Department in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION

✓ The State Government has fixed an ambitious food grain production target of 147 lakh metric tonnes during 2016-2017.

✓ During 2016-2017, the System of Rice Intensification (SRI) will be followed in 27.50 lakh acres and the Sustainable Sugarcane Initiative (SSI) will be adopted in 43,688 acres. Precision farming will be promoted in the cultivation of cotton and vegetables.

✓ A new scheme will be launched for dry land farming, focusing on improving the production and productivity of millets, pulses and oilseeds.

✓ Water conservation measures will be taken up as an integral part of this scheme. Mixed farming will be promoted in dry land areas by supporting mini-dairy and poultry units to supplement farm income.

✓ A special self-sufficiency Pulse Production Programme will be launched this year to bring 27.50 lakh acres of land under pulses during 2016-2017, aiming for an overall production of 9.80 lakh metric tonnes.

✓ During 2016-2017, micro-irrigation will be adopted in 28,540 acres of agricultural crops and in 86,707 acres of horticultural crops at a total cost of Rs.319 crores.
Heavy duty machinery will be purchased and used by Agricultural Engineering Department and purchase of farm machinery with a maximum subsidy of 50 per cent will be promoted among farmers.

The rural youth will be assisted to set up Agricultural Machinery Custom Hiring Centres with 40 per cent subsidy.

So far, 212 such Custom Hiring Centres have been established at a cost of Rs.20.99 crores. During 2016-2017, another 324 Custom Hiring Centres will be established at a cost of Rs.32.45 crores.

In the year 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.100 crores has been provided for promoting farm mechanisation.

In the next five years, the area under fruits and vegetables will be increased from the present level of 13.85 lakh acres to 16.0 lakh acres.

Cocoa, one of the most potential commercial crops, will be promoted in suitable agro-climatic zones and in coconut plantations as a multi-tier crop.

An amount of Rs.518.19 crores has been allocated in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for the Department of Horticulture.

A sum of Rs.150 crores has also been provided as revolving fund to TANFED for ensuring timely supply of fertilisers.

A special project for Supply Chain Management of perishable commodities like fruits and vegetables in 10 Districts at a cost of Rs.398.75 crores is under implementation.

Necessary amendments will be brought in the Tamil Nadu Agricultural Produce Marketing (Regulation) Act, 1987, to improve the efficiency of agricultural markets.

A sum of Rs.239.51 crores has been provided for the year 2016-2017 as the State’s share in the Revised Budget Estimates for the ‘Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana’ (PMFBY).
The State Government has already waived the outstanding short-term crop loans, medium term (agriculture) and long term (farm sector) loans issued to small and marginal farmers by the Co-operative Institutions as on 31.03.2016.

The tentative principle and interest outstanding due to be waived has been assessed at Rs.5,780.92 crores, which will be compensated with interest in five years to Co-operatives. This will benefit 8,35,360 small farmers and 8,58,785 marginal farmers.

In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.1,680.73 crores has been provided for Co-operative loan waiver scheme. During 2016-2017, the Co-operatives will extend fresh crop loans to an extent of Rs.6,000 crores.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Under the ‘Distribution of Milch Cows and Goats / Sheep’, the unit cost of milch cow will be revised from Rs.30,000 to Rs.35,000.

During 2016-2017, 12,000 milch cows to 12,000 poor women and four lakh goats / sheep to one lakh poor families will be distributed. In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.182.33 crores has been allocated for implementing these schemes.

An allocation of Rs.25 crores has been made in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for the ‘Fodder Development Scheme’.

During 2016-2017, 100 sub-centres will be upgraded into veterinary dispensaries with necessary building infrastructure. In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.90.27 crores has been provided to strengthen the veterinary infrastructure with NABARD assistance.

A sum of Rs.25 crores is allocated for the ‘Poultry Development Scheme’ to promote broiler farms and native chicken farms in dry areas and tribal areas.

For the Animal Husbandry Department, a sum of Rs.1,188.97 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.
DAIRY DEVELOPMENT

✓ In the past five years, several infrastructure developmental projects amounting to Rs.593.65 crores have been implemented in the Dairy Sector under various schemes.

✓ A new product dairy will be established at a cost of Rs.45 crores at Madurai, to promote the Dairy Sector in Southern Districts.

✓ In this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.121.69 crores has been provided for the Dairy Sector.

FISHERIES

✓ The relief assistance during the lean fishing season and fishing ban period provided will be enhanced to Rs.5,000 per family. In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.223 crores has been provided to implement various relief assistance schemes to fisherfolk.

✓ A sum of Rs.14.32 crores has been provided for 2016-2017 for procuring new Tuna longliners.

✓ The Government is providing 30,000 Distress Alert Transmitters to fishermen at a cost of Rs.48 crores.

✓ Steps have been initiated to provide communication network facilities and Very High Frequency (VHF) equipment to all fishing crafts at an estimated cost of Rs.62.14 crores with World Bank support.

✓ Works related to establishing four fish processing parks are under progress in Thiruvallur, Thoothukudi and Kanniyakumari Districts.

✓ An amount of Rs.209.25 crores has been provided in this Revised Budget for improving of fish landing facilities. In the Revised Budget Estimates, Rs.743.79 crores has been allocated for Fisheries Department.

ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

✓ The scheme of raising teak and other plantations on canal banks, padugai lands and other lands outside the forest will be implemented in Thanjavur, Thiruvarur, Trichy, Madurai, Dindigul, Theni, Sivagangai, and Villupuram Districts, with an
allocation of Rs.52.64 crores over a period of five years commencing from 2016-2017.

- An expenditure of Rs.339.18 crores has been incurred under the JICA assisted ‘Tamil Nadu Bio-diversity Conservation and Greening Project’ from 2011-2012 to 2015-2016 and Rs.109.51 crores allocated for the current financial year.

- The ecological restoration and conservation of Pallikaranai wetland, and the eco-restoration works in Madhavaram, Ambattur and Korattur lakes are under progress at a total cost of Rs.74.93 crores.

- The Government will take up restoration works relating to all other water bodies in and around Chennai, in a phased manner, using the funds available with the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

- A new scheme for ‘Rejuvenation of Vaigai and Noyyal Rivers’ at a cost of Rs.24.58 crores will be launched.

- The compensation provided for loss of life and damages to crops and property due to attacks of wild animals will be enhanced and fixed on par with the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) norms.

- In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.652.78 crores has been provided for the Environment and Forest Department.

**WATER RESOURCES AND IRRIGATION**

- The State Government will embark on a State Mission for Water Resource Management to restore water bodies and revive Kudimaramath through user communities.

- A sum of Rs.100 crores is set apart as incentive fund to revive Kudimaramath, which will be enhanced substantially with NABARD assistance in due course.

- Flood prevention works like widening the drainage channels and strengthening bunds and river banks will taken up in Cuddalore District at a cost of Rs.140 crores with the financial assistance of NABARD during 2016-2017.
For vulnerable coastal Districts like Chennai, a Comprehensive Flood Protection Plan is being prepared, which will be executed in a phased manner.

During the current financial year, a sum of Rs.445.19 crores has been provided for taking up projects relating to irrigation structures and flood control with NABARD assistance.

The works have already commenced in 66 dams in out of 106 dams to be rehabilitated under the World Bank funded ‘Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project’. In this Revised Budget, Rs.258.46 crores has been allotted for this scheme.

In the first phase of the Asian Development Bank assisted ‘Climate Change Adaptation Programme’, works have been taken up in the Vennar sub-basin at a cost of Rs.279 crores.

The Phase-II of IAMWARM will be taken up with the World Bank assistance at an estimated cost of Rs.2,950 crores to extend the benefits to the uncovered sub-basins.

The budgetary allocation for the Water Resources Department in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 is Rs.3,406.69 crores.

HIGHWAYS

During 2016-2017, widening of 1,000 km of roads and improvement of 3,000 km of roads will be taken up under the ‘Comprehensive Road Infrastructure Development Programme’ (CRIDP). A sum of Rs.2,800 crores has been allocated in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for this scheme.

Initial rectification and maintenance works on State Highways and Major District Roads have been taken up under the ‘Performance Based Maintenance Contract’ (PBMC) system in Pollachi, Krishnagiri, Ramanathapuram and Thiruvallur Divisions. For 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.437 crores is earmarked under the CRIDP for continuing this scheme.

The Government will undertake strengthening of roads and bridges at a cost of Rs.300 crores with NABARD assistance during 2016-2017.
The Government has proposed to complete 12 Road Over Bridges and Road Under Bridges at a cost of Rs.375.17 crores during 2016-2017.

Flyover works have been undertaken at various sites including Five Road Junction in Salem City at a cost of Rs.320 crores, AVR Roundtana and Kuranguchavadi junctions at a combined cost of Rs. 111.40 crores, Thiruvagoundanur junction at a cost of Rs.26.77 crores and Athupalam and Ukkadam junctions up to Ompalakara Street in Coimbatore at a cost of Rs.121.82 crores.

In the next stage of ‘Tamil Nadu Road Sector Project’-II, four laning and strengthening of State Highways for 30 km length of Mettupalayam-Erode road, 70 km length of Oddanchatram-Tiruppur road and 46 km length of Tirunelveli-Kollam road will be undertaken under Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) at a cost of Rs.1,541 crores.

In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.1,220.28 crores has been provided for this project.

PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Works relating to the computerization of the PDS operations and integration of Aadhaar numbers with the family card database at a cost of Rs.318.40 crores is in progress. This will enable the issue of smart cards by 2016 and streamline the system by plugging leakages.

ENERGY

In the last five years, 8,432.50 MW additional power generation has been added to the grid by the State and Central Government agencies, through long-term, medium-term Power Purchase Agreements and through Solar power purchases.

13,000 MW of thermal power, 2,500 MW of hydel power and 3,000 MW of solar energy will be added to the existing power generation capacity in the State in the next five years.

An amount of Rs.1,738 crores has been included for various works taken up under the JICA assisted Tamil Nadu Transmission System Improvement Project and kfW

✓ The announcement of free power up to 100 units to all 191 lakh domestic consumers will cause an additional commitment of Rs.1,607 crores every year to the State Government.

✓ Free power to Handloom and Powerloom weavers has been enhanced to 200 units and 750 units respectively. The power subsidy has increased to Rs.9,007 crores in the current financial year.

✓ An amount of Rs.2,000 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget 2016-2017 for repayment of TANGEDCO’s debt takeover under the Financial Restructuring Plan.

✓ In the Revised Budget Estimates, an amount of Rs.13,856 crores has been provided for the Energy Sector.

**TRANSPORT**

✓ A sum of Rs.150 crores is provided as share capital and Rs.125 crores as loan assistance for the purchase of 2,000 new vehicles as replacement for old vehicles in 2016-2017.

✓ Under the ‘Senior Citizen’s Bus Pass Scheme’, so far 2.49 lakh identity cards have been issued to the senior citizens for free travel in Metropolitan Transport Corporation buses.

✓ During 2016-2017, the Government has provided Rs.505.35 crores as Student Concession Subsidy and Rs.200 crores as Diesel Subsidy in the Budget.

✓ In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.1,295.08 crores has been allocated to Transport Department.

**TOURISM**

✓ Tourism circuits covering various themes like heritage tourism, religious tourism, eco-tourism and health tourism will be promoted and strengthened besides encouraging new tourism promotion activities like heli-tourism, water sports activities, etc.
Site museums and information centres will be set up in World famous tourism destinations.

An amount of Rs.53.20 crores is provided for the Asian Development Bank funded ‘Infrastructure Development Investment Programme for Tourism’ in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

A sum of Rs.85.80 crores has been provided for Tourism Department in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENTS

The scheme of Annadhanam being implemented in 724 temples in the State will be extended to another 30 temples during 2016-2017.

Repair and renovation of 500 village temples and 500 temples in Adi-Dravidar and Tribal areas will be taken up during the current financial year at a cost of Rs.10 crores.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Subsequent to the Global Investors Meet 2015, M/s. Ford Motors, USA is in the process of establishing its Research & Development Centre at Chennai, the first such global centre outside USA.

IT companies such as M/s. Honeywell, M/s. HCL Technologies, M/s. Zoho Corporation and M/s. Syntel are establishing their facilities in Southern Tamil Nadu.

Under the scheme of distribution of laptop computers free of cost, 5.35 lakh students will be provided with laptop computers during 2016-2017.

A sum of Rs.890 crores is provided for this scheme in the Revised Budget Estimate 2016-2017.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Japan International Cooperation Agency has also agreed to fund the second phase of the ‘Tamil Nadu Investment Promotion Programme’ with an outlay of Rs.1,560 crores to improve the investment environment.
After the stupendous success of the Global Investors Meet in Tamil Nadu held at Chennai in September 2015, investments totalling Rs.23,258 crores have materialised and have generated employment for 48,145 persons.

The Government is committed to conducting the Global Investors Meet once every two years and the next meet is due in 2017.

The Madurai-Thoothukudi Industrial Corridor project will help to bring an investment of about Rs.25,000 crores with an employment potential for one lakh persons.

The Government is in the process of developing Ponneri Industrial Node as a National Investment and Manufacturing Zone (NIMZ) under the Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor Project.

TIDCO in association with the SIPCOT, is establishing a Polymer Industries Park in about 306 acres of land in Ponneri Taluk of Thiruvallur District at a total cost of Rs.294 crores to accommodate about 84 medium and small scale plastic component manufacturing units.

Approval has been granted for an aerospace park in about 250 acres in SIPCOT Industrial Park at Vallam Vadagal in Sripurumbudur Taluk. This will accommodate aerospace engineering, production and maintenance of aerospace components, repair and overhauling facilities for Avionics.

In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.2,104.49 crores has been allocated to the Industries Department.

MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

Out of 10,073 Memoranda of Understanding signed during Global Investors’ Meet, 3,029 cases worth of Rs.2,599.93 crores investments have materialised so far.

For the year 2016-2017, Rs.12 crores and Rs.60 crores have been allocated for interest subvention and infrastructure support respectively.

A sum of Rs.15 crores is earmarked to fund the programme
in flood affected areas of Chennai under the ‘Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme’ (UYEGP). During 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.30 crores is provided under UYEGP.

✓ The ‘New Entrepreneurship-cum-Enterprise Development Scheme’ will be extended to major educational institutions for executing ‘Start-up Action Plan’ activities at a cost of one crore rupees to create a vibrant start-up ecosystem in Tamil Nadu.

✓ An amount of Rs.100 crores has been allocated for NEEDS in this Revised Budget 2016-2017.

✓ An amount of Rs.348.22 crores has been allocated to the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

HANDLOOMS, HANDICRAFTS, TEXTILES AND KHADI

✓ An amount of Rs.487.45 crores and Rs.78.45 crores for Free Distribution of Dhoties and Sarees Scheme and Rebate Subsidy Scheme respectively have been included in this Revised Budget.

✓ A sum of Rs.1,129.74 crores has been provided for the Handlooms and Textiles Sector and Rs.174.27 crores has been provided for Handicrafts and Khadi Sector in the Revised Budget.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

✓ The THAI scheme will be continued to upgrade the basic amenities by dovetailing the resources available under the State Finance Commission grants.

✓ The State has secured an award for ‘Exhibition of Best Practices’ under the MGNREGS for the year 2015-2016 also.

✓ In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.7,155 crores has been allocated for MGNREGS.

✓ The ‘Comprehensive School Infrastructure Development Scheme’ will be continued with an amount of Rs.100 crores during 2016-2017.
The ‘Tamil Nadu Rural Roads Improvement Scheme’ launched during 2015-2016 to take up works relating to improvement of road infrastructure, will be continued during 2016-2017 by dovetailing funds from various schemes.

Improvement of 573 roads and 22 bridges will be taken up under the PMGSY Phase-X in the current year at a total cost of Rs.758.44 crores.

Under the MLACDS, a sum of Rs.470 crores has been earmarked for the year 2016-2017.

The budgetary allocation for rural development has been enhanced to Rs.21,186.58 crores in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION

The ‘Integrated Urban Development Mission’ (IUDM) and ‘Chennai Mega City Development Mission’ (CMCDM) schemes will be continued with an amount of Rs.500 crores each by dovetailing of funds.

An amount of Rs.886 crores is provided for IUDM and Rs.800 crores for CMCDM in the Revised Budget Estimates for the works including spill over works.

Chennai and Coimbatore cities have already been selected under the ‘Smart Cities Programme’, and will get a fund of Rs.100 crores per city each year for five years from the Government of India with an equal State’s share.

Under the ‘Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation’ (AMRUT), projects worth Rs.3,834.49 crores are being proposed for implementation during 2016-2017.

In this Revised Budget 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.400 crores has been provided for Smart Cities Programme and Rs.500 crores for AMRUT scheme.

Under the Tamil Nadu Sustainable Urban Development Programme’, 13 projects have been taken up in 8 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) at a cost of Rs.2,212.89 crores.

In this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, a sum of
Rs.399.39 crores has been allocated TNSUDP.

✓ Twenty underground sewerage schemes at an estimated cost of Rs.1,017.09 crores, to benefit a population of 14.41 lakh, are under various stages of progress.

✓ In this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, totally a sum of Rs.11,820 crores has been allocated for Municipal Administration Department.

HOUSING FOR THE POOR

✓ With an aim to create hut-free villages and slum-free cities in the State, the Government will construct ten lakh houses in the next five years in the State under various schemes.

✓ Under the ‘Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (PMAY)’ (Rural) the Government of India has allotted 45,788 houses as special allocation for flood areas at a unit cost of Rs.70,000 and 1,31,831 houses as regular allotment at a unit cost of Rs.1.20 lakh.

✓ In order to have uniformity, the unit cost for all the houses to Rs.1.70 lakh per house, including the roofing cost of Rs.50,000 provided by the State Government.

✓ Under PMAY (Rural) scheme, the Government would construct totally 1,77,619 houses in rural areas at a total cost of Rs.3,095.62 crores in 2016-2017 itself, of which Rs.1,908.47 crores will be the State’s share.

✓ Under the ‘Chief Minister’s Solar Powered Green House Scheme’, 20,000 houses will be constructed during 2016-2017 at a cost of Rs.420 crores.

✓ In the last five years, Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board has constructed 59,023 tenements at a cost of Rs.2,753.42 crores. Another 10,537 tenements are under construction. TNSCB will construct 23,476 houses during 2016-2017 for which approval has already been given.

✓ The State Government will also constitute ‘Shelter Fund’, dedicated to finance housing projects to rehabilitate the urban poor.
In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, an allocation of Rs.689 crores has been made for the ‘Housing for All’ scheme.

**MISSION FOR CLEAN TAMIL NADU**

Under the ‘Swacch Bharat Mission’ (Gramin) in 2016-2017, 7.66 lakh household toilets and 50 public sanitary complexes will be taken up in the State.

In the last two years, Integrated Solid Waste Management has been taken up in 9,000 village panchayats through convergence with MGNREGS.

For collection, segregation and disposal of waste, currently 52,998 Thooimai Kaavalars are being engaged in these villages and have been provided with 22,704 tricycles.

In 2016-2017, the remaining 3,524 Village Panchayats will be taken up under this scheme. A sum of Rs.150 crores is provided for Solid Waste Management under the State devolution grants.

At present, integrated Solid Waste Management projects are under implementation in 402 Urban Local Bodies at a cost of Rs.833.22 crores.

A sum of Rs.200 crores has been allocated for the ‘Swachh Bharat Mission’ (Urban). A sum of Rs.100 crores has been provided for the Solid Waste Management Fund under the State devolution grants for the year 2016-2017.

**WATER SUPPLY**

For Chennai City, preliminary works are underway to establish a 400 MLD desalination plant at Perur in South Chennai at a cost of Rs.3,227.84 crores and another 150 MLD desalination plant at Nemmeli at a cost of Rs.1,258.88 crores with the financial assistance of JICA and Kfw respectively.

Completion of ongoing new reservoir project at Thervai Kandigai in Thiruvallur District and major renovation works taken up in four lakes, namely, Cholavaram, Nemam, Porur and Ayanambakkam will enhance the combined drinking water storage capacity for Chennai
from the existing 1,474 million cubic ft to 2,542 million cubic ft.

✓ In this Revised Budget 2016-2017, Rs.405.19 crores for National Rural Drinking Water Programme, Rs.186.35 crores for Minimum Needs Programme and Rs.450 crores for water supply schemes with NABARD assistance have been provided.

✓ Works relating to eleven major Combined Water Supply Schemes (CWSS) are in progress at an estimated cost of Rs.2,888.26 crores. In addition, 18 CWSS at a cost of Rs.644.01 crores are also at preliminary stages of implementation.

✓ 22 stand alone urban water supply improvement schemes at a cost of Rs.480.76 crores are at various stages of progress. During 2016-2017, four stand alone urban water supply improvement schemes will be taken up at a cost of Rs.373.82 crores.

DEVOLUTION TO LOCAL BODIES

✓ A sum of Rs.4,995.66 crores and Rs.3,617.55 crores have been provided as devolutionary grants to Rural Local Bodies and Urban Local Bodies respectively for 2016-2017.

✓ Under the 14th Finance Commission, local bodies in the State will receive Rs.2,406.14 crores as General Basic Grants and Rs.494.99 crores as General Performance Grants during the current financial year.

✓ Totally, Local Bodies in the State will receive a total amount of Rs.11,514.34 crores as Finance Commissions grants in 2016-2017, which will be Rs.2,163.24 crores higher compared to the last year.

LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS

✓ Considering the importance of women empowerment, the reservation for women has been enhanced in local body posts to 50 per cent.

✓ An amount of Rs.183.24 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for conducting Local Body elections.
CHENNAI METRO RAIL PROJECT

✓ The passenger services in the remaining elevated stretches from Little Mount to Airport and from Alandur to St. Thomas Mount will commence shortly. The passenger services in the first underground stretch will also commence by the end of this year.

✓ Approval for the extension of Corridor-I of Chennai Metro Rail from Washermenpet to Thiruvottiyur/Wimco Nagar at an estimate of Rs.3,770 crores has been obtained. This project has been included in the rolling plan for JICA assistance.

✓ The proposal for Phase-II of the Metro Rail covering two more corridors for a stretch of 104.50 km will be expedited.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

✓ The State Government will establish 37 new Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and upgrade 24 existing PHCs into 30 bedded PHCs during 2016-2017.

✓ An amount of Rs.1,423.38 crores is allocated under the ‘National Health Mission’ for the year 2016-2017, to take up projects including establishment of new Maternal and Child Health Wings at Cuddalore and Tiruppur at a cost of Rs.20 crores each; strengthening of existing trauma care units at Tambaram, Krishnagiri and Villupuram at a cost of Rs.10 crores each.

✓ Under the JICA assisted Tamil Nadu Urban Health Care Project, 10 Government Medical College Hospitals, seven District Headquarters Hospitals and four other Government Hospitals would be strengthened with world class diagnostic equipment and infrastructure.

✓ The State’s performance in the ‘Deceased Organ Transplant Programme’ has received National accolades and Tamil Nadu has won the Best State Award in the Country. So far, 2,652 major organs have been harvested from 828 donors and used for patients.

✓ Under the ‘Chief Minister’s Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme’ so far, about 15.41 lakh patients have availed treatment costing Rs.3,192 crores and
Government Hospitals have earned about Rs.1,138 crores. This scheme will be continued with a budgetary allocation of Rs.928 crores in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

✓ ‘Dr.Muthulakshmi Reddy Maternity Benefit Scheme’, has benefited 34.57 lakh pregnant women since May 2011 at a cost of Rs.3,239 crores. In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, Rs.668 crores has been allocated for this scheme.

✓ The ‘Menstrual Hygiene Programme’ will be continued with an annual budgetary allocation of Rs.61 crores.

✓ The Government will continue its innovative welfare schemes of ‘Amma Baby Care Kit’, ‘Amma Magapperu Sanjeevi’ and ‘Amma Arogiya Thittam’.

✓ In this Revised Budget Estimates, Rs.9,073 crores has been allocated to the Health Department.

SCHOOL EDUCATION

✓ The teacher-pupil ratio in Government schools has consistently improved to 1:25 at primary level, 1:24 at upper primary level, 1:26 at secondary level and 1:37 at higher secondary level as against the National norm of 1:30, 1:35, 1:40 and 1:45 respectively.

✓ In the last five years, 4,339 units of toilets will be provided in the year 2016-2017 in elementary and high schools at a cost of Rs.59.25 crores.

✓ For maintenance of clean toilets in all schools, during 2015-2016 funds amounting to Rs.57.63 crores provided through local bodies exclusively for this purpose.

✓ For infrastructure improvement in schools like classrooms, toilets and drinking water facilities with NABARD assistance, an amount of Rs.333.61 crores has been provided in this Revised Budget Estimates.

✓ Under the ‘Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act’ 2,31,404 children has been benefited so far. During the current year, 86,199 children have been admitted in private schools and a sum of Rs.125.70 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget Estimates for this purpose.
The Government of India's share of Rs.847.58 crores due for the year 2015-2016 is yet to be received under ‘Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan’ (SSA) and ‘Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan’ (RMSA).

In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.2,329.15 crores under the SSA and Rs.1,139.52 crores under the RMSA have been provided.

The Government will continue to provide laptop computers, free textbooks, notebooks, educational kits, four sets of uniform, footwear, school bags, bus passes and bicycles, etc. In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.2,705 crores has been allocated for these purposes.

The Dropout Rate has reduced to 0.90 at primary level, 1.55 at upper primary level and 3.76 at secondary level during 2015-2016.

In the Revised Budget Estimates, Rs.381 crores has been allocated for special cash incentive scheme.

In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, a total amount of Rs.24,130 crores has been allocated for School Education.

**HIGHER EDUCATION**

The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education has improved substantially to 44.80 per cent; especially the number of girls and Scheduled Caste students has increased respectively from 2,51,211 and 84,660 in 2010-2011 to 3,01,110 and 1,36,877 in 2015-2016.

The scheme of reimbursement of tuition fees to the first generation students will be continued in 2016-2017 with a budgetary allocation of Rs.582.58 crores.

For improvement of the infrastructure facilities in colleges, Rs.233 crores has been allocated in the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017.

The Government has also set apart Rs.357.12 crores in the Revised Budget Estimates for sanctioning grants to the Universities, including Rs.152.97 crores to the Annamalai University.
In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, Rs.3,679.01 crores has been allocated for the Higher Education Department.

YOUTH WELFARE AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

Sanction has been accorded for a High Altitude Training Centre at Udhagamandalam at a cost of Rs.5 crores.

Revamping of Aquatic Complex at Velachery, Chennai at a cost of Rs.1.50 crores is under progress.

A sum of Rs.153.39 crores has been allocated in this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017 for sports and sport related activities.

ADI-DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE

In the Revised Budget, Rs.12,462 crores has been allocated for the Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan, which is 20.56% of Annual Plan outlay and Rs.722 crores for the Tribal Sub-Plan, which is 1.19% of Annual Plan.

Construction of buildings for 81 hostels is in progress and for the balance 24 hostels functioning in private rental buildings, the Government will construct new hostel buildings at a total cost of Rs.27.48 crores.

Idly cooker-cum-steam boilers and washing machines will be provided to all hostels in the next two years.

In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, a sum of Rs.103.15 crores has been allocated for feeding charges and Rs.83.80 crores for improving infrastructure facilities and hostel maintenance.

A sum of Rs.55.11 crores has been allocated to provide incentives to enrol girl children in schools during 2016-2017.

The extension of the Post-Matric Scholarship scheme to all the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students studying in private self-financing colleges has benefited 7.76 lakh students during 2015-2016.

In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, Rs.75.61 crores and
Rs.1,429.94 crores have been provided for pre-matric and post-matric scholarships respectively.

✓ In the Revised Budget Estimates, an amount of Rs.64.86 crores has been allocated for distributing cycles free of cost to students belonging to these Communities.

✓ An amount of Rs.130 crores has been allocated under Special Central Assistance (SCA) during the year 2016-2017.

✓ Under ‘Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme’, Rs.50 crores has been allocated during 2016-2017.

✓ Infrastructure in tribal schools run by the Forest Department will be improved at a cost of Rs.12 crores with NABARD assistance.

✓ In this Revised Budget 2016-2017, Rs.28.80 crores and Rs.7 crores have been allocated for the development of particularly vulnerable tribes living in the State and ‘Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana’ respectively.

WELFARE OF BACKWARD CLASSES, MOST BACKWARD CLASSES AND DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES

✓ In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.21.40 crores has been provided for pre-matric scholarships and Rs.186.56 crores has been provided for post-matric scholarships for the benefit of 6.96 lakh students from Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities.

✓ Construction of buildings will take up for the 36 hostels functioning in private buildings at a cost of Rs.76.96 crores during 2016-2017.

✓ Idly cooker-cum-steam boilers and washing machines will be provided to all the hostels in the next two years. A sum of Rs.70.64 crores has been provided for food charges during 2016-2017.

✓ An amount of Rs.168.04 crores has been allocated for distributing cycles free of cost to students of the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and other Communities.
A sum of Rs.104.40 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget for the 290 Kallar Reclamation Schools functioning in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul Districts.

LABOUR WELFARE

Members of the Unorganised Workers Welfare Boards have been provided with social security benefits to an extent of Rs.125.90 crores during 2015-2016.

An amount of Rs.70 crores has been provided as grants to Unorganised Workers Welfare Boards in this Revised Budget.

A sum of Rs.152.76 crores is allotted for the Labour Welfare Department in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

SOCIAL WELFARE

A sum of Rs.140.50 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget 2016-2017 for the ‘Girl Child Protection Scheme’ and the ‘Cradle Baby Scheme’.

The gold for Thirumangalayam has been enhanced to eight grams under the Marriage Assistance Schemes. In this Revised Budget, an amount of Rs.703.16 crores has been provided for all marriage assistance schemes.

Under the ‘Puratchi Thalaivar MGR Nutritious Meal Programme’, 26.88 lakh children in the primary school, 28.17 lakh children in the middle and high schools are being served with variety meals.

A sum of Rs.1,644.52 crores has been provided for Nutritious Meal Programme in this Revised Budget.

Under the ‘Integrated Child Development Services’ (ICDS) scheme, supplementary nutrition and nutritious meal are being served to 17.63 lakh children in the age group of 6 to 36 months and 13.97 lakh children in the age group of 2 to 5 years, 6.55 lakh pregnant women and lactating mothers and 4.02 lakh adolescent girls. A sum of Rs.1,699.79 crores has been provided for the ICDS scheme in the Revised Budget.

In this Revised Budget, an amount of Rs.3,820 crores has been
provided for social security pensions.

✓ In this Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, totally a sum of Rs.4,512.32 crores has been allocated for Social Welfare Department.

**WELFARE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONERS**

✓ From 01.07.2016, the ‘New Health Insurance Scheme, 2016’ to provide healthcare assistance to the Government employees and their eligible family members for another four years is being implemented.

✓ The limit has been enhanced to Rs.7.50 lakh in certain cases of specified serious illnesses. For this scheme, an amount of Rs.300 crores has been provided in the Revised Budget Estimates.

✓ After the Union Government accepts the recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission in all aspects, the State Government will constitute an Officials Committee to study it and recommend on the appropriate pay revisions in the State.

✓ Under the Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme, for the benefit of seven lakh pensioners, a sum of Rs.129 crores has been allocated for the premium amount in 2016-2017.

✓ A sum of Rs.18,868 crores has been provided for pensionary and other retirement benefits in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

**WELFARE OF SRI LANKAN TAMIL REFUGEES**

✓ In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.105.98 crores has been allocated for the welfare of Sri Lankan Tamil refugees.

**WELFARE OF THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED**

✓ For the benefit of children with various disabilities, 435 Special Schools are functioning in Tamil Nadu.

✓ Early Intervention Centres (EIC) has been established with qualified educators in 29 Districts for the hearing impaired and in 31 Districts for the mentally retarded persons.
During 2016-2017, 1,000 retrofitted petrol scooters will be distributed free of cost to both lower limb affected differently-abled persons.

In the Revised Budget Estimates 2016-2017, an amount of Rs.396.74 crores has been allocated for the welfare of Differently Abled persons.

MINORITIES WELFARE

The Ulema pension will be enhanced from Rs.1,000 to Rs.1,500 per month.

RESOURCES FOR FINANCING THE BUDGET

The tax collections on petroleum products were stagnant in the last three years and have registered a negative growth during 2015-2016.

The estimates for Commercial Taxes have been revised to Rs.67,629.45 crores in the Revised Budget 2016-2017 as against the Interim Budget Estimates of Rs.72,326.45 crores.

Taking into account the State Government's decision to close down 500 TASMAC shops, the Excise Duty collection for 2016-2017 has been scaled down to Rs.6,636.08 crores.

The receipts from Stamps fees and Registration charges has been estimated to be Rs.9,858.17 crores, whereas the Taxes on Motor Vehicles has been estimated to be Rs.4,793.91 crores in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

The overall State's Own Tax Revenue during the current financial year has been estimated to be Rs.90,691.87 crores in the Revised Budget 2016-2017.

The receipts under State's Own Non-tax Revenue has been estimated at Rs.9,723.95 crores.

Based on the Union Budget 2016-2017, the State's share in Central Taxes for the year 2016-2017 has been reduced to Rs.23,018.12 crores.

The Grants-in-Aid from the Government of India for 2016-2017 has been revised to Rs.24,741.15 crores.
FISCAL INDICATORS

✓ The Total Revenue Receipts for 2016-2017 has been estimated at Rs.1,48,175.09 crores in the Revised Budget Estimates as against the Interim Budget Estimates of Rs.1,52,004.23 crores.

✓ Implementation of many new schemes such as waiver of agricultural loans of small and marginal farmers owed to the Co-operative Institutions and free power to domestic consumers up to 100 units and continuance of various welfare schemes have increased the expenditure of the State.

✓ During 2016-2017, in the Revised Budget, the Revenue Expenditure has been estimated to be Rs.1,64,029.56 crores as against the Rs.1,61,159.01 crores in the Interim Budget Estimates.

✓ The Revenue Deficit for the ongoing financial year has been estimated to be Rs.15,854.47 crores.

✓ In the Revised Budget 2016-2017, the Fiscal Deficit has been estimated to be Rs.40,533.84 crores, which is 2.96 per cent of GSDP, and is well below the limit prescribed by the Tamil Nadu Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2003.

✓ Since the Government of India has revised the GSDP figures as per the new 2011-2012 series, the Net Borrowing Ceiling has got revised to Rs.41,085 crores in 2016-2017.

✓ The budgetary borrowings have been estimated to be Rs.40,529 crores in this Revised Budget Estimates. The overall outstanding borrowings of the State has been estimated to be Rs.2,52,431 crores at the end of this financial year.

✓ As per Revised Budget 2016-2017, the outstanding Debt to GSDP ratio will be 18.43 per cent of GSDP.