

of India. Mahatma Gandhi State performance management is a Nodal Agency in the State. During the year 2010-11, the system was adopted in all state departments. From the year 2011-12, performance monitoring has been adopted at district level through a model RFD specially designed in the state.

10.8 EXCISE & TAXATION

Outlay- Rs 17.63 crore

10.8.1 VAT was successfully implemented in the state of Punjab w.e.f. 1.4.2005. Keeping in view the difficulties being faced by trade and industry, rate of VAT has been decreased on certain commodities, procedure of tax collection has been made business friendly and dates for submission of statutory documents under the CST Act have been extended for procuring these documents from other states. To expedite payment of refund to exporters and dealers resorting to inter state sales, the facilities of E-filing of quarterly returns has been introduced by the department. E-Payment facility has also been provided to the dealers in the state.

10.8.2 The collections under Punjab VAT and CST Acts have increased from Rs. 7046.65 crore in 2008-09 to Rs. 8284.13 crore in 2009-10 registering an increase of 17.56%. During 2010-11, the collections was Rs. 10778.15 crore i.e. an increase of 30.10% over the previous year. During 2011-12, the collections was Rs. 12223.09 Cr i.e. an increase of 13.40% over the year 2010-11. During 2012-13, the expected collections are Rs.15000.00 Cr i.e. an increase of 22.72% over the year 2011-12.

10.8.3 Against the excise revenue of Rs. 1810.72 crore earned during 2008-09, an amount of Rs. 2100.57 crore was earned during 2009-10 thereby registering an increase of 16%. During 2010-11, excise collections was Rs. 2372.02 crore i.e. an increase of 12.92% over the previous year. During 2011-12, excise collections was Rs.2726.62 Cr i.e. an increase of 14.94% over the year 2010-11. During 2012-13 expected excise collections are Rs. 3500.00 Cr i.e. an increase of 28.36% over the year 2011-12.

10.8.4 The Department of Excise and Taxation is a major revenue earning agency of the state. An Excise and Taxation Technical Services Agency (ETTSA) has been constituted for modernization and upgradation of tax collection machinery in the state

On going schemes

State funded schemes

ET 01/ET 1 Computerization of Excise and Taxation Department

Outlay-Rs.10.00 crore

10.8.5 The Computerization of Sales Tax Information System (COSTISP) for the Excise and Taxation Department was undertaken by the Excise and Taxation Technical Services Agency (ETTSA) in the year 2003-04. After 1.4.2005, when VAT was introduced in the State of Punjab this project was converted to Computerization of VAT Information System (COVIS). COVIS consists of capturing information at source by on-line implementation of 15 identified modules.

10.8.6 As two phases of this project have been completed and the system has become fairly stable, 3rd phase of the project has now been undertaken to make the system more efficient and responsive to the needs of users. Expansion of bandwidth and conversion of V-sat to leased-lines is the need of the hour. The present bandwidth of 10 kbps per user is proposed to be enhanced to 20 kbps per user. There is a proposal for introducing video conferencing in the department in all its locations. If this is done it will enable an efficient and prompt administration and will save the time of all the concerned, which can be invested in productive work.

Centrally Sponsored/Funded Scheme

ET 02/ET 2 Mission Mode Project for Computerization of Commercial Taxes (CS:SS)(65:35)

Outlay - Rs.7.63 crore

10.8.7 The Mission Mode Project for Computerization of Commercial Taxes administration (MMPCT) has been launched by GoI to support the States and Union Territories to computerize their commercial taxes administration. The Government of India approved this project for the State of Punjab with total cost of Rs. 40.43 Crore (Rs. 26.45 crore GoI share + Rs. 13.98 crore state share) in 2010-11. An expenditure of Rs1825.00 lac (GOI share Rs.1190.00 + Rs.635.00 lac State share) lac was incurred during the 11th Plan (2007-12).