

ITEM 1 : TARGETS FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH

1. The State economy grew at 3.97% during the 9th Five Year Plan (1996-97 to 2001-02). The growth during the first three years of the 10th Plan (2002-03 to 2006-07) was 4.69%. The economic growth during the entire 10th Plan Period is expected to be 5.03% as indicated in the table below :

Average Annual Growth Rate during 10th Plan (2002-03 to 2006-07) and Growth Targets 11th Five Year Plan

Sector	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	Overall	Growth Targets for 11 th Plan (2007-12)	
							Fixed by Planning Commission	Proposed by State Government
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Agriculture	(-)3.50	6.23	4.77	3.39	4.80	3.14	2.4	4.35
Industry	5.69	4.56	4.57	4.53	4.55	4.78	8.0	5.11
Service	6.67	7.43	6.48	7.75	7.22	7.11	7.4	7.90
Overall	2.41	6.29	5.39	5.38	5.69	5.03	5.9	5.90

2. For Punjab the target fixed by the Planning Commission of India during the 11th Five Year Plan is 5.9% as indicated in the table above. The economic growth during the last two years has been more than 5.5%. The State will have no difficulty in achieving the growth of 5.9% during the 11th Plan. However, the inter-sectoral growth targets will not be met.

Our agriculture is expected to grow at about 4% as compared to the target fixed at 2.4%.

The Industry Sector in Punjab specially manufacturing sub-sector is not doing very well. The construction sector is growing at about 14.0 % in the State. The manufacturing sector is growing at about 1.59%. Grant of financial incentives by the Union Government to the new industries located in neighbouring States of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir have adversely affected industries in the State. The industrial growth is therefore expected to be 5.11% as against target of 8.0%. The state will achieve the indicated targets in the service sector. The State will have therefore no difficulty in achieving target growth of 5.9% during the 11th Five Year Plan with agriculture, industry and service sector growing at about 4.35%, 5.11% and 7.9% respectively.

ITEM 2 : HEALTH

Status regarding the various health parameters is given as under:

- 1. Infant Mortality Rate:** The State has good Immunization coverage and therefore the IMR will be brought down from 45 to 22 as indicated by the Planning Commission during the 11th Five Year Plan.
- 2. Maternal Mortality Rate:** The State will also bring down the MMR from 178 to 59 during the 11th Five Year Plan. The State government has taken various measures including strengthening to PHCs and CHCs, implementation of safe motherhood, consultation and incentives to link workers for Ante-Natal check up and institutional delivery.
- 3. Total Fertility Rate:** The State favours Option-3 and we will achieve the target of TFR of 2.1%. Option-1 is not appropriate since some of the States will have TFR lower than replacement rate resulting in larger number of old people.
- 4. Anaemia among Women:** The State will achieve the target of 20.7% as indicated by the Planning Commission.
- 5. Sex Ratio:** The current level of sex ratio 0 to 6 years is 798 and the targets indicated by the Planning Commission are 805 and 818 for the year 2011-12 and 2016-17 respectively. The State will endeavor to achieve child sex ratio 850 by 2011-12 and 900 by 2016-17.

ITEM 3 : SOCIAL WELFARE

Malnutrition of Children (0-3 years) - At present about 3,16,000 children out of 11,00,000 are in the category of malnourished children. The State has a very good coverage under ICDS and there is no problem regarding funds also. The malnourished children will also be covered under ICDS scheme. The State is therefore in a position to achieve target of 14.4% fixed by Planning Commission

ITEM 4 : EDUCATION

1. Drop Out Rate in Elementary Education : Drop out rate in the State of Punjab (in government and government recognized schools) has been as follows :

During 2003-04 = 35.19

During 2004-05 = 34.16

During 2005-06 = 32.45

The above mentioned figures clearly show that dropout rate is on decline. The decline in drop out has increased by 0.68 pp over the last 2 years. Taking into the account the level of physical financial and social inputs in the field of education, this is expected that decline in dropout rate would increase at least by 0.02 pp every year. Keeping this assumption in view the dropout rate would be 30.04 percent during 2006-07, 26.91 percent during 2007-08, 23.04 percent during 2008-09, 18.41 percent during 2009-10, 13 percent during 2010-11 and **6.79 percent during 2011-12.**

Thus the projected dropout rate at Elementary level for 2011-12 would be 6.79 percent

2. Literacy rates – Literacy rates in the State of Punjab as per census 1991 & 2001 and the decadal increase therein vis-à-vis projected rates of literacy of 2011 are indicated below :

Literacy	Literacy rates in the State of Punjab			
	1991	2001	Increase over the last decade	Projected literacy rate for 2011-12
Male literacy	65.66	75.23	9.57	84.80*
Female literacy	50.41	63.36	12.95	76.31*
Total literacy	58.12	69.69	11.57	81.26*

*The projections are based on the last decade's pattern of increase in literacy.

However this is assumed that the State may go much high in literacy than the projections shown above.

3. Gender gap in literacy – Gender gap in the literacy in the State of Punjab as per census 1991 was 15.25 pp. This has come down to 11.87 pp in 2001. This indicates that the gender gap in literacy has decreased by 3.38 pp over the last decade.

Assuming the same trend, this is expected that the gender gap during 2011-12 would be 8.49 pp.

However, taking into account the increasing level of focus on female education and the education in general, the gender gap with course of time may come to a significant level.

ITEM : 5 EMPLOYMENT

The State Government would be able to achieve the target of additional jobs of 2216615 persons during 11th Plan. The State Government has already approved 351 Mega Projects in the Industrial, Housing and Agro Sectors with an investment of Rs 96222.29 Cr. These projects are likely to generate employment of opportunities for more than 10 lac persons in the State. Besides, a 1200 acre Special Economic Zones (SEZ) is being developed in partnership with DLF Limited at Amritsar and two other SEZs of M/s Quark and Ranbaxy have also been approved by the Government of India in Mohali. Construction and Retail sector are recording good growth.