

Highlights of Budget 2014-15

1- Receipts

- Estimated revenue receipts of 2014-15 are Rs.24474.46 crores as against the B.E of Rs.18955.72 crore in 2013-14 showing an increase of 29.11 percent.
- Total tax revenue receipts in 2014-15 are estimated to be Rs.12157.26 crore as against B.E of Rs. 11007.81 crore in 2013-14, showing an increase of 17.50 percent.
- Total Non Tax revenue receipts in 2014-15 are estimated to be Rs. 12317.20 crore as against B.E. of Rs. 7947.91 crore in 2013-14 showing an increase of 54.97%.
- Total receipts in 2014-15 are estimated to be Rs. 29825.16 crore as against Rs. 24940.32 crore in financial year 2013-14, showing an increase of 19.52 percent.

2- Expenditure

- Total expenditure in 2014-15 is estimated to be Rs.30353.78 crore as against Rs. 25329.84 crore in financial year 2013-14, showing an increase of 19.83 percent.
- Non-Plan expenditure in 2014-15 is estimated to be Rs.18676.55 crore, which is 61.52 percent of total expenditure. This shows an increase of 12.38 percent against B.E of Rs. 16619.46 crore in 2013-14.
- Plan expenditure is estimated to be Rs.11677.23 crore in 2014-15 as against B.E of Rs. 8710.38 crore in 2013-14, showing an increase of 34.06 percent.
- Interest payment during 2014-15 is estimated to be Rs. 2947.93 crore as against Rs. 2540.85 crore in 2013-14, showing an increase of 16.02 percent.
- Pension expenditure is estimated to be Rs. 2424.48 crore in 2014-15 as against Rs. 1989.55 crore in 2013-14, showing an increase of 21.86 percent.
- Loan repayment has been estimated to be Rs. 1757.79 crore in 2014-15 as against Rs. 2152.79 crore in 2013-14 showing a decrease of 18.35 percent.
- Salary expenditure in 2014-15 has been estimated to be Rs. 9193.95 crore as against Rs. 7846.95 crore in 2013-14. This shows an increase of 17.17 percent.

3-Fiscal Indicators

- Budget estimates of 2014-15 show a revenue surplus of Rs. 682.43 crore which is in conformity of FRBM Act targets. This means total revenue expenditure of the State Government is estimated to be less than the estimated revenue receipts.
- Fiscal deficit has been estimated to the tune of Rs. 4075.83 crore, which is 2.97 percent of GSDP. This is well within the FRBM target of 3 percent.

4-Other Highlights

- Gender budget, by way of 100% women centric schemes as well as proportionate division of budget in other schemes has been put upto ensure empowerment Rs. 3708 crore has been provided in 2014-15 under gender budget which is about 14% higher than the estimates of 2013-14.

- Provision of Rs.1693.48 crore has been made for disaster management & disaster reconstruction works.
- State disaster response force has been formed.
- An entirely new initiative has been provided by way of keeping lumpsum budget provision for each district under district plan. This will ensure elimination of gap between outlay and budget provision and will lead to enhancement of development.
- Vigilance unit for prevention of illegal mining has been established.
- Creation of new posts in existing and new polytechnic institutions has been proposed and polytechnics at Pabo, Bansbagad, Talla Johaar, Bادهचना, Pokhri chamoli, Berinag, Pipli Dunda, Chinyallisaur, Chopta, Barhket, Rikhnikhal, Bheemtal, Kot Pauri and Jogdisain are also proposed.
- Ancestral house of Late H.N. Bhauguna ji at village Budhani (Pauri) will be developed as museum.
- Veterinary Colleges at Bhatrojkan (Almora), Gauchar (Chamoli), Rudraprayag, Gahar Khirsu (Pauri) and Tehri have been proposed.
- A provision of seed capital has been made for Tehri Special Area Tourism Development Authority to ensure regulated and fast development of this area.
- Old age pension will be provided to small and marginal farmers of 60 years age and above who are engaged in agriculture.
- Free text books will be provided to 9th to 12th class students belonging to schedule caste.
- Facility has been provided to traders to get form 'C' directly from the departmental website.
- On the demand of entrepreneurs, the monetary limit of form 11 has been removed.
- Assessment of luxury tax has been made annual in place of half yearly.
- Tax rate has been reduced on cooked food from 13.5% to 5%.
- Medical university has been established.
- A Separate division will be made in the Himalayan museum under the name of Late Shri Gulab Singh Ji for conservation and nurturing of cultural traditions and facets of tribals of Uttarakhand.
- Joint Venture will be established for horticulture and marketing of fruits etc.
- Roads in the manner of state high ways will be constructed in major and minor river valleys.
- Cluster based agriculture will be incentivized.
- Nurseries will be established for replacement of seed germinated fruits plantation to grafting based plantation.
- Ten percent additional gratuitous relief from CM relief fund will be provided to disaster affected sugar cane growers.
- Two Kg salt as well as 1 Kg normal pulse and 1 Kg hilly pulse will be provided to ration card holder in malnourished areas.

- Ponds, check dams, wiers will be constructed in villages for rain water harvesting.
- Land consolidation will be done on priority bases in hilly districts.
- Medical college in Garhwal and Kumoun division will be established in the name of Baba sahib Bhim Roa Ambedkar.
- Trauma Centres will be established at Jauljibi, Almora, Chapawat, Pithoragarh, Bageshwar, Sitarganj, Jaspur, Bazpur, Uttarkashi, Guptkashi, Rudraprayag, Rishikesh, Pandukeswar, Karnprayag and Gairsan.
- Handicapped people will be brought up under Vir Chandra Singh Garhwali Self employment scheme and they will be provided upto 50% subsidy for establishing enterprise.
- Residential school under the name of Babu Jagjiwan Ram for class 1 to 12 for SCs will be established in Makkhanpur, Baghwanpur (Haridwar). Such schools will also be established in every district.
- All vacancies will be filled as "abhiyan" so as to provided employment to residents of the state as per their qualification.
- For managing disaster in shortest time and identifying and disposing local problems at local level, whole state will be divided in 25 sectors and each sector will be given financial and administrative authority so as to give it a form of full fledged unit.
- Incentive to fodder, fruit production and fruit industry in hill districts will be given to strengthen hill economy.
- Free pilgrimage to famous pilgrims of Uttarkhand will be given to old age people of Uttarakhand.
- Special action plan/master plan for developing infrastructure and other facilities at world famous Kaliar Sharif will be taken up.
- Urdu and Parsian academy at Kaliar Sharif and Punjabi academy at Dehradun will be setup.
- "Karmakand" education at Sanskrit schools will be made employment oriented.
- Special pension schemes for masons, wood crafters, clay crafters, old priests, granthies, maulwis and pasteurs will be introduced.
- In order to protect the interest of cane-growers it has been decided that the cane price shall be paid in one installment.
- No application fee will be charged against class III recruitments.
- In order to decentralize revenue administration, new Tehasils will be setup at Doiwala, Narsan, Dug-Nakuri, Sama, Nainbagh, Jalasu, Narayanbagarh, Lamgarh, Bangapani etc.