సంపుటి-8, సంచిక-5 15వ శాసనసభ సమావేశము-VIII



వెల : రూ. 17-00 07 మార్చి, 2022 సోమవారం (శక సంవత్సరము - 1943 ఫాల్గణ - 5)

ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ శాసనసభ కార్యకలాపాలు ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES

అధికార నివేదిక OFFICIAL REPORT

విషయసూచిక

ඡුදු	మ సంఖ్య విషయం		పేజీ నం.
1.	గవర్నర్ గారి ఆగమనం – అధికారిక సాదర స్వాగ (ఉ.గం.10.50ని.లకు)	త కార్యక్రమం	1
2.	ఉభయ సభలను ఉద్దేశించి గవర్నర్ గారి (ప్రసంగం (ఉ.గం.11.00ని.లకు)	్రపారంభం	2
3.	గవర్నర్ గారి (ప్రసంగం కొనసాగింపు – పరిసమాక్షి (ఉ.గం.11.59ని.లకు)	<u>)</u>	2 - 12
4.	గవర్నర్ గారి ని(ష్మమణ – అధికారిక వీడ్మోలు కార్త	్యక్రమం	13

ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ శాసనసభ ప్రధాన అధికారులు

గౌరవ సభాపతి ః శ్రీ తమ్మినేని సీతారాం

గౌరవ ఉప సభాపతి ః శ్రీ కోన రఘుపతి

కార్యదర్శి శ్రీ పి.బాలకృష్ణమాచార్యులు

ఉప కార్యదర్శులు ః శ్రీ ఎం.విజయరాజు

శ్రీ పి.వి.సుబ్బారెడ్డి

శ్రీ కె.రాజకుమార్

శ్రీమతి ఆర్.వనితారాణి

సహాయ కార్యదర్శులు : శ్రీ కె.వెంకటేశ్వరరావు

శ్రీ డి.జగన్మోహన్రావు

శ్రీమతి కె.భారతి

శ్రీమతి డి.విజయ కుమారి

శ్రీమతి జి.భారతలక్ష్మి

శ్రీ ఆర్.శ్రీనివాసరావు

శ్రీమతి వై.వి.రజని

శ్రీ వి.విశ్వనాథం

శ్రీ ఎం.ఈశ్వరరావు

శ్రీమతి ఎన్. ఇందిరా కుమారి

చీఫ్ రిపోర్టర్ ః శ్రీమతి ఆర్.ఎస్.శైలజ

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE LEGISLATURE

VELAGAPUDI, AMARAVATI

JOINT SESSION OF FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – EIGHTH SESSION, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FORTIETH SESSION

MONDAY, DATED THE 7TH MARCH, 2022

Hon'ble the Governor arrived at the Entrance of the Assembly Hall at 10.50 AM. On his arrival, the Hon'ble Governor was given the National Salute and was received by the Hon'ble Chairman, Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council and the Hon'ble Speaker, Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, the Minister for Legislative Affairs and the Secretary to State Legislature.

A procession was then formed in the main Veranda of the Assembly Hall. The Hon'ble Governor then conducted to the Assembly Hall. The Members of both the Houses then rose on the entry of the Governor into the Assembly Hall and remained standing until he has taken his seat on the Dias. The Hon'ble Chairman and the Hon'ble Speaker then moved towards their respective seats on the Dias, flanking to the right and left of the Hon'ble Governor.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, the Hon'ble Minister for Legislative Affairs and the Secretary to State Legislature, then seated in the front row facing the Dias and the Officers in procession towards their seats in the Chairs placed in the pit of the Assembly. The Aide-de-Camp of the Governor then positioned himself behind the Governor on the Dias.

The National Anthem was then played and all the Members rose from their seats remained standing until its completion.

The Hon'ble Governor then delivered his Address to the Joint Session of Fifteenth Andhra Pradesh State Legislature – Eighth Session, at 11.00 AM, in English Language which is as follows:

Hon'ble Chairman, Hon'ble Speaker and Hon'ble Members of the State Legislature.

(గవర్నర్ గారి ప్రసంగం ప్రారంభం అయిన వెంటనే ప్రతిపక్ష సభ్యులు తమస్థానం నుండి లేచి నిలుచొని "రాజ్యాంగ వ్యవస్థలను కాపాడ లేని గవర్నర్ గో బ్యాక్" " రాజ్యాంగ వ్యవస్థలను కాపాడ లేని గవర్నర్ గోబ్యాక్ " అంటూ నినాదాలు చేయ సాగారు.)

ఉభయ సభలను ఉద్దేశించి గవర్నర్ గారి ప్రసంగం ప్రారంభం

1. It's a great privilege and honour for me to address this Joint Session of both houses of Andhra Pradesh State Legislature on the occasion of the Budget Session, 2022-23.

(" గవర్నర్ పేరుతో అప్పు తెచ్చిన ప్రభుత్వానికి సంతకం చేసిన గవర్నర్ గో బ్యాక్" " గవర్నర్ పేరుతో అప్పు తెచ్చిన ప్రభుత్వానికి సంతకం చేసిన గవర్నర్ గోబ్యాక్" అంటూ ప్రతిపక్ష సభ్యులు నినాదాలు కొనసాగిస్తూ పోడియం ముందుకు చేరుకున్నారు. తమ చేతిలో ఉన్న గవర్నర్ గారి ప్రసంగ ప్రతులను చింపి వేశారు.)

2. Our Nation and State have gone through a difficult phase in the last two years due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Being alert to the fact that the pandemic is not over, we all need to be cognizant of a possible recurrence of this menace. Bifurcation related stress, 5 years of policy paralysis during 2014-19, a year of economic downturn during 2019-20 and two subsequent years of Covid-19 pandemic have severely impacted State finances. My Government's steadfast commitment for extending support to welfare of farmers, women, underprivileged, marginalized and vulnerable groups has ensured that, even during these excruciatingly difficult times, rural consumption and spending and the economy as a whole does not take a nosedive. I am proud to say that owing to the impactful interventions of my Government, the State has demonstrated a real GSDP growth of 0.22 percent in the financial year 2020-21 and as against this, the Country's real GDP shrank by 7.3 percent during the same period. During the financial year 2021-22, the State's GSDP at constant prices demonstrated a year on year growth of 9.91 percent.

("అమరావతి తప్పుడు బిల్లులపై సంతకం చేసిన గవర్నర్ గో బ్యాక్ " " అమరావతి తప్పుడు బిల్లులపై సంతకం చేసిన గవర్నర్ గో బ్యాక్ " అంటూ నినాదాలు కొనసాగింపు)

3. For the last 3 years, my Government has been making relentless efforts in ensuring decentralized and inclusive governance. In coherence with the objective of decentralized and good governance, we have embarked on **Restructuring of Districts**. My Government has decided to restructure the existing 13 districts in the state to 26. This new district administrative setup shall start functioning on the auspicious day of Ugadi, Telugu New Year, 2nd April 2022.

(Slogans continued)

4. Reaffirming our commitment to the welfare of the government employees, who we regard as the pillars of our administration, my Government has implemented the 11th Pay Revision Commission (PRC) to the Government employees and pensioners of the state with the fitment of 23 percent and a flurry of other benefits, including the release of 5 instalments of dearness allowance in one go and increasing age limit for retirement from 60 years to 62 years. This is despite

continued financial stress on the Government exchequer due to shortfall in resources primarily because of Covid-19. This bears testament to our commitment to employees.

(Slogans continued)

I. Economy

5. Covid-19 pandemic had a deleterious fiscal impact. While revenues were constrained on one hand, the expenditure had to be stepped up for Covid-19 mitigation measures, protection of livelihood, and ensuring that development did not get derailed on the other. After the subdued growth registered last year, the state economy is projected to bounce back to pre-Covid levels. The advance estimates of state economy for the year 2021-22 show the overall growth at 16.82 percent at current prices. The Per Capita Income has moved up to Rs.2,04,758 from Rs.1,76,707 last year, with a highly impressive growth rate of 15.87 percent.

II. Local to Global – Mapping Navaratnalu with SDGs and Localisation

(Slogans continued)

6. Amidst persisting threat of the pandemic, our steadfast commitment for extending support to welfare of farmers, women, Children, underprivileged, marginalized and vulnerable groups continues. Our focus remains on high standards for education, health, agriculture, women empowerment and inclusive governance.

(Slogans continued)

7. The elaborate inclusive model of Governance we have adopted under 'Navaratnalu' to improve the lives of our citizens is proving holistic and merits replication by other states. We have implicitly adopted the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) broad agenda of 'Leave No One Behind' under the Navaratnalu framework, wherein all the SDGs have been mapped with the state welfare schemes that are implemented on saturation basis. Through localization of SDGs, my Government is ensuring that human and economic development takes place in harmony with environment. The effective implementation of this integrated welfare programme has become facilitated by the transparent and objective mechanism of directly transferring the financial assistance into the bank account of the beneficiary without any leakages and thereby significantly improved the lives of our citizens.

(Slogans continued)

8. The 'Village and Ward Secretariat' and 'Volunteer' systems that my Government has established are paying rich dividends by making the extension of Government services transparent, timely and efficient. This innovative initiative has

గవర్నర్ గారి ప్రపంగం కొనసాగింపు

facilitated both employment generation and, corruption free public service, delivered at the doorstep of the citizens.

(Slogans continued)

Education

"A literary genius, it is said, resembles all, though no one resembles him"

Dr. S. Radhakrishnan

9. My Government has recognized 'education' as the most effective tool to transform the younger generations. The focus is on utilizing every possible opportunity to develop children and youth to be globally competitive.

(Slogans continued)

10. Strengthening infrastructure components in all government schools is being implemented for a period of three years starting from 2020-21 under **Mana Badi – Naadu Nedu.** 15,715 schools in phase-I have been completed with an outlay of **Rs.3,669 Crores.** In coming two years, strengthening of remaining 42,000 schools and other educational institutions will be taken up under this initiative. My Government is spending **Rs.15,000 Crores** in all three phases of Mana Badi- Nadu Nedu.

(Slogans continued)

11. As envisaged in the SDGs, to improve the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER), my government is implementing programs like Jagananna Ammavodi, Jagananna Vidya Kanuka, Jagananna Gorumudda, Jaganan Vidya Deevena, Jagananna Vasathi Deevena.

(శాసనపరిషత్ సభ్యులు శ్రీ మంతెన వెంకట సత్యనారాయణ రాజును మార్షల్స్ బయటకు తీసుకు వెళ్లారు. ఆ సందర్భంలో శాసన సభ్యులు డా. డోలా శ్రీ బాల వీరాంజనేయ స్వామి మాట్లాడుతూ, గౌరవ సభాపతి అనుమతి లేకుండా సభ్యుని ఎలా బయటకు తీసుకు వెళతారు అని ప్రశ్నించారు.)

12. My Government has distributed a student kit consisting of 3 pairs of uniforms, belt, a pair of shoes and two pairs of socks, textbooks, notebooks, workbooks, Oxford English-Telugu dictionary and a school bag to 47 lakh students of classes between I and X in all government and Government-aided schools in the state under **Jagananna Vidya Kanuka** on the first day of re-opening the schools.

(గవర్నర్ గారు... మీ ప్రసంగాన్ని Boycott చేస్తున్నాము అని చెప్పిన ప్రతిపక్ష సభ్యులు సభనుండి బయటకు వెళ్లిపోయారు)

- 13. With a view to have higher net retention rate, 'Jagananna Ammavodi' is implemented. My Government has supported 44.5 lakh mothers to send their children to schools and Rs.13,023 Crores have been spent under the scheme so far.
- 14. To address the issue of malnutrition among children, my government is serving nutritious and tasty meals to 43.26 lakh children of classes I to X. So far since 2019, an amount of Rs.2,640 crores is incurred under the Jagananna Gorumudda.

Quality of Education

- 15. Realizing the global importance of **English** language and equipping our students for 21st Century skill demands, my government is working to provide quality English Medium education to all.
- 16. Under the **Academic and Administrative Reforms** initiated by our government to improve educational outcomes by providing qualified subject teachers, schools have been categorized in to 6 types Satellite Foundational School, Foundational School Plus, Pre High School, High School and High School Plus.

Higher Education

- 17. For the first time in the country like never before, my government is implementing "Jagananna Vidya Deevena" scheme with the noble aim of ensuring that higher education is accessible to even children from underprivileged sections and providing full fee reimbursement to every eligible student studying B.Tech, B.Pharmacy, ITI, Polytechnic and other Degree Courses by paying the amount directly to the mother's account regularly without dues on quarterly basis. So far an amount of Rs.6,259.72 Crores has been credited to 21.55 lakh students.
- 18. Similarly, **Jagannna Vasathi Deevena Scheme** is being implemented to provide assistance to the eligible students for food, travel and hostel expenses. In a first of its kind initiative in the country, the Government is crediting **Rs.10,000 for ITI students**, **Rs.15,000 for polytechnic students and Rs.20,000** for those pursuing degree and other courses in two instalments per annum to every eligible student. This facility is being extended to all the eligible students in the family irrespective of their number. Amount is directly credited in to the bank accounts of mothers of students. So far an amount of **Rs.2304.97 crores** has been credited to **18.77 lakh** eligible students.

Health and Nutrition

- Ralph Waldo Emerson
- 19. My Government is providing universal health coverage free of cost for all as an important priority under **Dr. YSR Arogyasri.** Andhra Pradesh has secured the 1st rank in the SDG India Index ranking 2020-21 in the percentage of households with any usual member covered by a health scheme.
- 20. Under **Dr. YSR Aarogya Asara** scheme, an amount of **Rs.517.16 crores** has so far been provided as post-operative sustenance allowance to **9.43 lakh cases** with a maximum of Rs.5000/- per month at **Rs.225 per day.**
- 21. My Government is planning to implement the 'Family Physician' concept and additional 432 Mobile Medical units are being procured for the purpose, in addition to the existing 656 MMUs.
- 22. 108 ambulances and 104 mobile medical units are revamped. Under **Naadu Nedu** program improving health infrastructure such as new YSR Health Clinics, upgrading of PHCs, Urban Clinics, CHCs, Area Hospitals and construction of new PHCs, Urban Clinics has been taken up.
- 23. My government has proposed 16 new medical colleges, one for each Parliamentary Constituency. They are under the process of establishment. As a result of this, all the newly formed districts will also have the necessary medical institutions and facilities. Existing 11 Medical Colleges and Teaching Hospitals are also being upgraded.
- 24. Towards other innovative and reform-oriented health initiatives, a 200-bedded super speciality hospital with a kidney research centre and dialysis unit is being established at Palasa in Srikakulam District. My Government has decided to establish multispecialty Hospitals at 5 ITDA areas under Tribal Sub Plan at Seethampeta, Parvathipuram, Rampachodavaram, Buttaigudem and Dornala. My Government is spending **Rs.16,255 crores** under Nadu-Nedu for total revamp of Health Infrastructure.
- 25. My Government introduced YSR Sampoorna Poshana Plus (for the Scheduled Tribal areas) and YSR Sampoorna Poshana (other areas) schemes to address the problem of anaemia and malnutrition among pregnant and lactating mothers and children aged 6 months to 72 months by providing supplementary nutrition through Anganwadi. 6,00,000 Pregnant and Lactating Women, 16,00,000 children aged 6-36 months and 13,06,000 children aged 3-6 years are being covered under this scheme. Annual outlay for the Scheme is Rs.1956.34 Crores. State government is spending these amounts to provide daily egg, milk, nutrition kits and additional supplements like Balamrutham, Multi-Grain Atta, Groundnut Chikki, Ragi flour, Jaggery, Dry Dates to all pregnant and lactating women and children aged 6-72 months.

26. As per the new education policy, the Anganwadis are now being **Co-located** with primary and upper primary schools to bring about synergy in the teaching methodology and for better learning outcomes of children. This move has facilitated better nutritional supplementation to children and robust foundation for physical mental, emotional, and social development of every child. Out of 55,607 anganwadi centres, 27,620 are operational as Foundational schools and 27,987 are operational as Satellite foundational schools.

Agriculture sector

"Agriculture can trigger job-led economic growth, provided it becomes intellectually satisfying and economically rewarding"

M.S. Swaminathan

- 27. My Government is committed to make agriculture more profitable. Under the "YSR Rythu Bharosa-PM Kisan", financial assistance of Rs.13,500/- is extended to the farmers in three instalments and it is a matter of pride that ours is the only government to extend this benefit to landless tenant farmers including Records of Forest Rights (ROFR) cultivators. Since 2019-20, a total amount of Rs.20,162 crores has been incurred for the benefit of 52.38 lakh farmers.
- 28. YSR Free Crop Insurance scheme aimed to protect the farmers against crop loss has benefitted 13.38 lakh farmers with an amount of Rs.1,739 crores during Khariff 2020. So far an amount of Rs.3,788 crores has been incurred for the benefit of 31 lakh farmers. As a testimony of our endeavours, the NITI Aayog has recognized Dr. YSR Free Crop insurance implementation as a model for other states.
- 29. Under YSR Sunna Vaddi Panta Runalu scheme, during the year 2021-22, Rs.207.72 crores was extended as interest subsidy to 12.31 lakh farmers towards crop loans taken and those who paid in time for Rabi 2019-20 and Khariff 2020 seasons during 2021-22. So far an amount of Rs.1,218 crores has been incurred for the benefit of 65.63 lakh farmers.
- 30. My Government has established 10,778 Rythu Bharosa Kendralu (RBKs) at every village to provide a comprehensive solution to all the agricultural needs along with **e-Crop Booking** facility. e-Crop booking is used as the single source for effective policy formulation and implementation of programmes such as Dr. YSR Free Crop Insurance, Input subsidy, YSR Sunna Vaddi Panta Runalu, and procurement of agricultural produce at MSP. In the Good Governance Index 2020-21 released by Government of India, Andhra Pradesh stood first in the Country in Agriculture and Allied sectors.
- 31. As a unique gesture, my Government is ensuring that the compensation on crop loss **input subsidy** is paid to the farmers in the same season directly into their bank accounts. Since 2019, my government has compensated **an amount of**

- Rs.1,541.80 crores as input subsidy for 19.02 lakh farmers who have lost their crops due to cyclones and floods.
- 32. To encourage farmers and make agriculture more attractive, my government has taken a historical decision of announcing MSP for 6 more crops, namely Chillies, Turmeric, Onion, Minor Millets, Banana and Sweet Orange which are grown in Andhra Pradesh.
- 33. Under YSR Jala Kala, free bore wells are planned to be drilled benefitting more than 3 lakh farmers. So far 10,564 bore wells were drilled for the benefit of 13,680 farmers.
- 34. Under the **Nine hours free power** scheme 18.85 lakh farmers are benefitted, costing **Rs.9,091 crores** during 2021-22. So far **Rs.19,146 crores** amount is spent by my Government under this scheme.
- 35. My Government is encouraging Horticulture, Livestock and Fisheries sectors as growth engines in the state. Andhra Pradesh has emerged as the largest producer of fruits in the country contributing 15.6% of the total production at the national level. The state **Ranks 1**st in the productivity of Oil palm, Papaya, Lime, Cocoa, Tomato, Coconut and Chillies and 2nd in Mango, Sweet Orange & Turmeric in India.
- 36. About 2.49Lakh women from SC, ST, BC & Minority communities of 45-60 years of age are being provided assistance under the **Jagananna Jeeva Kranthi Padhakam** scheme implemented with a project cost of **Rs.1,867.50 crores** for providing sheep and goat as per the beneficiary choice.
- 37. Dairy development has been accorded priority through **Amul- Palavelluva**. Milk collection centers are being set up in the RBKs in partnership with Amul and dairy farmers are getting additional income per liter through the Amul interface.
- 38. **Fisheries** sector in Andhra Pradesh has abundant scope for value addition. Its export potential is attracting greater attention. Fisheries sector provides livelihood to 26.5 lakh population in the state. The **YSR Matsyakara Bharosa** is a unique program in the country for extending relief to all sea going fishermen operating Mechanized, Motorized and Non-motorized fishing crafts during the Marine Ban period/Lean period. So far an amount of **Rs.331.58 crores** was disbursed into bank accounts of 1,19,875 fishermen families. From 2019, My Government enhanced the HSD Oil subsidy from Rs.6.03 ps to Rs.9.00 per liter. The subsidy is disbursed as front ended subsidy through HSD Oil smart cards immediately at the point of purchase. HSD Oil subsidy under Matsyakara Bharosa extended to all eligible boats i.e., 17770 fishing boats.

women"

Kofi Annan

- 48. "YSR AASARA" scheme has been introduced for providing financial assistance to Rural and Urban poor women in Self Help Groups who have availed bank finance to meet their financial needs by reimbursement of entire bank outstanding amount as on 11.04.2019 directly to the Groups Savings accounts of the SHG women in four instalments. So far an amount of **Rs. 12,758crores** has been released to **7.97 Lakh SHGs** benefiting **to 78.75 lakh SHG members**.
- 49. Under **YSR Sunna Vaddi**, an amount of **Rs.2,354.2crores** was released to 98 lakh SHG women in two years in both rural & urban areas for reimbursement of interest amount on loans availed by SHGs.
- 50. Through YSR Cheyutha scheme, an amount of Rs.9,179crores was distributed to 24.95 lakh eligible women beneficiaries belonging to SC, ST, BC and Minorities aged 45 to 60 years so far.
- 51. Eligible women who are in the age group of 45 to 60 years and belonging to Kapu, Telaga, Ontari and Balija castes are provided financial assistance of Rs.75,000 in five phases under **YSR Kapu Nestham**. So far **Rs.981.88crores** have been released to 3,27,349 beneficiaries.
- 52. Under the **'EBC Nestam'** for Economically Backward Caste (EBC), my Government has decided to provide assistance to women aged between 45-60 years at Rs.15,000 per year. An amount of **Rs.589crores** was released to **3,92,674 beneficiaries** under the scheme in first phase.
- 53. I am happy to mention that my Government has implemented various welfare programmes in a transparent manner by directly transferring the amount to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries. So far an amount of Rs.1,32,126Crores has been transferred through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

III. Development - Rural and Urban Infrastructure

54. My Government has taken up massive programme to connect all roads from the Mandal headquarters to District headquarters with double lane roads for a length of 3000 kms with an investment of Rs 6400cr taking financial assistance from New Development Bank. This will greatly improve the connectivity and facilitate movement of agricultural and other cargo. In view of huge rains and cyclones there are severe damages to the roads in the State. Government has taken up huge programme to take renewal of around 8100 Kms with an investment of **Rs.2,205crores**.

(Thumping from Treasury Benches)

State Government is actively working with the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for massive improvement of National Highway infrastructure in the State.

55. As part of the plan to improve rural roads my Government has taken up 8715 Km of roads with an estimated cost of **Rs.6,319Crores under PMGSY, RCPLWEA** and **APRRP** programmes and the works are progressing briskly. Similarly, my

Government has taken up a **programme to take up repairs** to around 9,200 Kms of rural roads with an investment of **Rs.1,073crores**.

56. Under **MGNREGS**, during the current year 22.34Crores man-days were created to provide wage employment to wage seekers incurring an expenditure of **Rs.7,395.54crores**. Overall an amount of **Rs.23,935crores** has been spent under this scheme so far. State program to build village level infrastructure such as building for Village Secretariats, RBKs, village health clinics, and digital libraries, CC roads, drains etc. were also taken up dovetailing MGNREGS.

Water Resources

- 57. Out of the 54 **Jalayagnam Irrigation Projects**, 14 projects have been completed and 2 projects are partiality completed. The remaining projects are under progress. The Polavaram project is the state's lifeline. 77.92% of the works component has been completed. The Government is executing the project on a war footing so as to complete it by June, 2023. On priority basis my Government will complete the Jalayagnam projects.
- 58. Under the **Jal-Jeevan Mission**, my Government is committed to provide every rural household with adequate and safe water for drinking, cooking and other basic needs by 2024. So far, 4.63 lakh households have been provided with functional household tap connections (FHTCs).
- 59. My Government has sanctioned 3 **drinking water projects** for an amount of **Rs.1,477crores** in 3 districts: Uddanam in Srikakulam, Pulivendula in Kadapa, Dhone in Kurnool districts, to cover 1,249 stressed and water quality affected habitations. My Government is planning to provide drinking water supply to 16,207 layouts to cover 16.44 lakh households with FHTCs with an amount of **Rs.3,513crores** in the **Jagananna Housing Colonies**.

Energy

60. Andhra Pradesh state is committed to promoting Renewable Energy in view of the need to ensure sustainable economic development. With the objective of making the 9-hour supply of free power to agriculture, sustainable, my Government has taken the proactive step of contracting with SECI for procurement of close to 15,000 MU of power per annum from a solar project established under manufacturing linked solar tender at a rate of Rs.2.49 per kWh fixed for a 25-year period. The current average power procurement cost is to the tune of Rs.5.10 per kWh. The contract with SECI has enabled the State to procure power at a rate of 2.49 per kWh, which will generate a per unit savings of nearly Rs.2.50 per kWh. Owing to this, the savings of close to Rs.3,750crores per annum for a 25-year period was made possible. With this, the burden on the State was substantially reduced. With the endeavour of reducing the gap between revenue realization and cost of supply of power, my Government is taking many more transformative steps.

Strategic Infrastructure for accelerated growth

61. We are planning to nurture industrial development by operationalizing the 3 industrial corridors - Chennai-Bangalore Industrial Corridor, Vizag-Chennai

Industrial Corridor and Hyderabad-Bangalore Industrial Corridor. My Government is developing 3 ports - Bhavanapadu, Ramayampatnam and Machilipatnam.

62. My Government is actively pursuing the Central Government to speed up the Greenfield international airport at Bhogapuram in Vizianagaram District and Green Field Airport at Dagadarthi in Nellore district.

Industries

- 63. My Government has released **Industrial Incentives** of **Rs.2,363.2 crores** to MSMEs and employment intensive Textile sector.
- 64. Under the special industrial policy for SC/ST entrepreneurs 'YSR Jagananna Badugu Vikasam', my Government has released Rs.346.79crores to 5,725 MSME units of SC entrepreneurs, Rs.65.90crores to 1,138 MSME units of ST entrepreneurs. Since last three (3) years, 91 Large and Mega Projects were also grounded with an investment of 36,304Cr generating employment to 56,611 people. Apart from the above, 70 Large & Mega projects (incl PSUs) are under active implementation with an investment of Rs.1,61,155.85 Crores and with a potential to create employment to 1,80,754 people.
- 65. Similarly, 22,844 MSME units were grounded with an investment of 7015.48 Crores generating employment to 1,56,296 people.
- 66. Andhra Pradesh has improved its exports performance from Rank 7 in 2019-20 to Rank 4 in 2020-21 with an increase in exports to USD 16.8 Billion in the FY 2020-21, achieving a growth of 13.8% over the previous year. AP state contributes 5.8% to national exports and we aspire to double our exports by 2030.

Skilling and Employment

- 67. My Government is establishing two (2) Universities to create highly skilled manpower pool and to address the emerging industry skill needs. One University on New and Emerging Technologies at Visakhapatnam and another Skills University at Tirupati. The Govt. is establishing 26 Constituent Multi Skill Centres (Skill Colleges) across the 25 Parliament constituencies.
- 68. For Up-skilling the graduates in emerging technologies and enabling them to be 'future ready' for the world of work, the **Microsoft Up-skilling Programme is initiated in the State of Andhra Pradesh**, which is the first of its kind project in the entire Country. This project meets the growing demand of future skilled manpower in IT, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science and Machine Learning.
- 69. A total of 1,62,000 students of engineering, computer science and general degree shall be trained in 40 different courses/certifications of Microsoft thereby making them job ready.

Swachh Bharat Mission

70. It is a matter of pride that the AP State is now moving towards the implementation of ODF Plus activities with the objective of transforming all the

villages into clean & model villages. Towards this endeavor, my Government has launched Swachha Sankalpam - Clean Andhra Pradesh (CLAP), a sanitation advocacy program with an aim to achieve "Litter Free - Garbage Free - Visually Clean" villages and towns.

IV. Transparent and Corruption free governance

- 71. The Spandana grievance redressal mechanism is yielding encouraging results. This has provided necessary confidence to the citizens that any grievance brought to the notice of the administration will get redressed. During this financial year, my Government has redressed 2.87 lakh grievances out of the total 2.98 lakh registered.
- 72. My Government accords highest priority to law and order in the state. As part of women safety, several measures towards Safety, Security and Empowerment have been taken. DISHA App is safety tool in the hands of women.

(Thumping from Treasury Benches)

This app has become very popular amongst women and has above **1.13crore** downloads. As soon as a SOS is received through DISHA App, police will reach the spot immediately and provide security to the women who is in need of it. AP state ranks 1st in the country in Investigation Compliance (Investigation Completed in 60 days) in Sexual Offences with a rate of 92.27% against the National Average of 40%.

(Thumping from Treasury Benches)

Improved Visible Policing, accountability & transparency, improved reachability and establishment of Women Help Desks are some of the infrastructure augmentations put in place by my Government.

V. Conclusion

73. To conclude, I reiterate that my Government is committed to take every necessary step required to make all citizens healthy, happy and contended. In pursuit of this mission, my Government draws inspiration from the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi,

"Man becomes great exactly in the degree in which he works for the welfare of his fellow-men"

Mahatma Gandhi

With people's continued faith and support to the Government, I am sure the Government will work more intensely to fulfil the aspirations of the citizens of the state.

*** JAI HIND ***

(Thumping from Treasury Benches)

(The address by the Governor was ended at 11.59 AM)

After completion of Address by the Hon'ble Governor, the National Anthem was once again played with all the Hon'ble Members standing on their feet.

The Hon'ble Governor, thereafter, left the Assembly Hall in a procession which was formed in like manner, at the time of his arrival. The Members remained standing until the procession left the Assembly Hall.

On arrival at the gate, the Hon'ble Governor took leave from the Hon'ble Chairman, A.P. Legislative Council, the Hon'ble Speaker, A.P. Legislative Assembly, the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the Minister for Legislative Affairs and the Secretary to State Legislature.

The Hon'ble Governor then attended by his Secretary, Aide-de-Camp and escorted by Body Guards left to Raj Bhavan.

"Published under Rule 347 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly and printed at the AP Legislative Assembly Press, Velagapudi, Amaravati."