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1. Budget Allocation for SC/ST Welfare- Tamilnadu

- **Land Purchase Scheme for SC/ST Women:**
 - ✓ ₹20 crore allocated for landless SC/ST women agricultural laborers.
 - ✓ Maximum subsidy: ₹5 lakh or 50% of land value per eligible candidate.
- **Housing for Tribal Communities:**
 - ✓ ₹70 crore to build 4,500 housing units for tribal communities without houses.
 - ✓ ₹50 crore for building approach roads in tribal neighborhoods.

Educational Facilities and Support

- **Hostels for SC/ST Students:**
 - ✓ Hostels with modern facilities in Sivaganga, Erode, Virudhunagar, and Cuddalore districts.
 - ✓ Cost: ₹15 crore.
- **Centralized Kitchen under 'Amudha Surabi' Scheme:**
 - ✓ Locations: Tiruchi, Madurai, and Coimbatore.
 - ✓ Beneficiaries: Around 3,000 students.
 - ✓ Cost: ₹9 crore.

Cultural and Lifestyle Support

- **Lifestyle Festival:**
 - ✓ Celebrating the culture, traditions, and literary works of SCs and STs.
 - ✓ Cost: ₹3 crore.
- **Essential Accessories for Hostel Students:**

- ✓ Distribution of bedsheets and other essentials.
- ✓ Beneficiaries: Around 10,000 students.
- ✓ Cost: ₹4 crore.

Infrastructure and Skill Development

- **Refurbishing Tribal Boarding Schools:**
 - ✓ Improvements based on the demands and needs of students.
 - ✓ Schemes to develop unique talents in schools and college hostels.
- **Skill Vouchers for SC/ST Students:**
 - ✓ Total: ₹41 lakh.
 - ✓ For students excelling in higher education.
- **Increased Financial Assistance for Higher Education:**
 - ✓ Additional 400 students to be supported.
 - ✓ Total beneficiaries increased to 2,000 students.
 - ✓ Cost: ₹4 crore.

2. Chief Minister's Road Development Programme (CMRDP)

- **Road Widening Projects:**
 - ✓ Four-Lane Roads: Over 200 km.
 - ✓ Two-Lane Roads: 550 km.
- **Key Road Connections:**
 - ✓ Avinashi to Mettupalayam
 - ✓ Erode to Karur
 - ✓ Ramanathapuram to Melur through Sivaganga
- **Ring Roads and Bypass Projects:**
 - ✓ Target Towns: Tenkasi, Arcot, Tirunelveli, Bodinayakanur.
 - ✓ Connectivity: Rajapalayam new bus stand to Government Hospital.

✓ Budget: ₹321 crore.

- **Panchayat Road Upgradation:**

✓ Upgradation: 600 km of panchayat roads and panchayat union roads to other district roads.

✓ Budget: ₹680 crore.

- **Infrastructure Enhancements:**

✓ Foot Overbridges with Escalators: - Locations: Near Velachery railway station and at Koyambedu.

✓ Overbridge for Pallikaranai Marsh Conservation:

✓ Connectivity: Kamakshi Hospital to Thoraipakkam.

- **Proposed Road Overbridge:**

✓ Connectivity: Tambaram to Chengalpattu (27 km).

✓ Status: Discussions with the Union government.

- **Road Safety Measures:**

✓ Objective: Reducing fatal road accidents.

✓ Focus Areas: Identifying black spots and improving road junctions.

✓ Budget: ₹300 crore.

- **Environmental and Conservation Initiatives:** Tree Plantation: Alongside highways.

- **Detailed Project Reports (DPRs):**

✓ New Project: Connecting Manalmedu in Mayiladuthurai district with Sethiyathope in Cuddalore district.

3. Tamilnadu Government's Measures to Address Killings Related to

Inter-Caste Marriages:

- **Legislative Approach:**

- ✓ **No New Legislation:** Tamilnadu Chief Minister emphasized expediting legal processes under existing laws rather than enacting new legislation.

- **Relevant Laws:**

- ✓ Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.
- ✓ Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC).
- ✓ Indian Penal Code (IPC).
- ✓ (Special Marriage Act (SMA), 1954)

- **Legal and Enforcement Actions:**

Special Public Prosecutors: Appointment to expedite cases of crimes related to inter-caste marriages.

Investigation Officers:

- ✓ Normally a sub-inspector (per CrPC).
- ✓ Proposal to appoint Deputy Superintendents of Police to give more importance to such cases.

- **Recent Incident:**

- ✓ Tirunelveli attack on CPI (M) office for arranging an inter-caste marriage.
- ✓ 14 persons arrested, including 7 women.
- ✓ SC/ST Act invoked due to prima facie evidence of caste atrocity.

- **Government Commitment and Actions:**

District-Level Committees: Review of committees dealing with inter-caste marriage issues.

Dravidian Movement: Commitment to social justice, supporting inter-caste marriages, women's education, and equality.

- **Socio-Economic Perspective:**

- ✓ **Economic Development:** Emphasis on reducing such crimes through socio-economic progress.

- ✓ **Women's Education and Employment:** Advancement in these areas seen as critical in mitigating regressive social crimes.

- **Notable Cases:**

- ✓ **Gokulraj Murder Case:** Reference to the Namakkal case where culprits were sentenced, highlighting the government's efforts to secure justice.

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4. Implementation of New Criminal Laws and eSakshya Application

- **New Criminal Laws:**

- ✓ Effective Date: July 1, 2024

- **Replacements:**

- ✓ Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS): Replaces Indian Penal Code, 1860.

- ✓ Bharatiya Sakshya (BS): Replaces Indian Evidence Act, 1872.

- ✓ Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS): Replaces Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

- **eSakshya Mobile Application:**

- ✓ Purpose: **Assist police in recording scenes of crime, search, and seizure.**

- ✓ Features:

- i. **e-Evidence Recording:** Maximum of four minutes per recording.

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- ii. **Multiple Files:** Can be uploaded per FIR.
 - iii. **Selfie Upload:** Police officials must upload a selfie after procedure completion.
 - iv. **Cloud-Based Platform:** Files are uploaded to a cloud-based platform.
 - v. **Development:** By National Informatics Centre (NIC).
 - vi. **Availability:** For all police stations registering and downloading the app.
- ✓ **BNSS Mandates:**
 - i. Audiovisual Recording: Compulsory for search and seizure.
 - ii. Forensic Examination: Mandatory for offenses attracting seven years or more punishment.
 - **Resource Challenges:**
 - ✓ Procurement Costs: Expensive hardware and cloud space.
 - ✓ State Resources: Many states lack sufficient resources.
 - **Connectivity Options:**
 - ✓ Offline Recording: Use personal devices, generate hash value, and upload from police station.
 - ✓ Direct Upload: Requires good Internet speed.
 - **Chain of Evidence Concerns:**
 - ✓ Procedural Integrity: Ensuring the sanctity of evidence submission is crucial.
 - ✓ Forensic Evidence: Must maintain a strict chain of command to avoid procedural infirmities and ensure convictions.
 - **Conviction Rate Impact:**
 - ✓ Uniformity in Investigations: Expected to increase the conviction rate.

5. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) - Revamp:

- **Scheme Overview:**

- ✓ Objective: Enable affordable housing for urban poor.
- ✓ Launch Year: 2015.
- ✓ Extension: Till December 2024.
- ✓ Target Groups: Urban poor, middle-income groups, and slum dwellers.
- ✓ Goal: Ensure house for all eligible urban households.

- **Revamp Focus:**

- ✓ Learnings from Past 9 Years: Incorporate new features based on operational experiences.
- ✓ Beneficiary Outreach: Focus on eliminating delays in reaching beneficiaries.

- **Ministry Initiatives:**

- ✓ Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (2023-24, 2022-23): Scheme to support states.
- ✓ **Urban Planning Incentives:** Incentivize states to improve and speed up the basic urban planning ecosystem in cities.

6. iDEX for Miniaturised Satellites:

- **Overview of iDEX:**

- ✓ Full Form: Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX).
- ✓ Purpose: Platform to foster innovation and technology development in defense and aerospace sectors.
- ✓ Initiative: Launched by the Ministry of Defence, Government of India.

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- **Focus on Miniaturised Satellites:**

- ✓ Objective: Encourage development of miniaturised satellites for defense applications.
- ✓ Size: Typically small, often weighing less than 500 kg (microsatellites) or even less than 10 kg (nanosatellites).
- ✓ Technology: Utilizes miniaturised components and advanced electronics.
- ✓ Cost: Generally more cost-effective compared to traditional satellites.
- ✓ Benefits:
 - i. Enhanced surveillance capabilities.
 - ii. Improved communication systems.
 - iii. Cost-effective and rapid deployment.

- **Key Features:**

- ✓ Innovation Support: Provides funding, mentorship, and resources to startups and MSMEs (Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises).
- ✓ Collaboration: Facilitates partnerships between industry, academia, and government entities.

- **Implementation Strategy:**

- ✓ Challenges and Competitions: Organizes innovation challenges to identify and support promising technologies.
- ✓ Funding: Grants and financial assistance for prototype development and testing.
- ✓ Testing Facilities: Access to defense testing facilities and infrastructure for validation.

- **Strategic Importance:**

- ✓ **National Security:** Strengthens India's defense capabilities through advanced technology.
- ✓ **Indigenization:** Promotes self-reliance in defense technology and reduces dependency on imports.
- ✓ **Economic Impact:** Boosts the domestic defense manufacturing sector and creates high-tech job opportunities.
- **Recent Developments:**
 - ✓ Successful Prototypes: A number of innovative solutions have been developed under the **iDEX program**.
 - ✓ Future Prospects: Continuous focus on emerging technologies like miniaturised satellites to address evolving defense needs.

7. Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP)

Scheme

Objective:

- ✓ Purpose: To refund duties and taxes incurred by exporters on exported products.
- ✓ Implementation: Introduced to replace the earlier Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) to comply with WTO norms.

Features:

- ✓ Refund Mechanism: Provides reimbursement for various central, state, and local duties and taxes which were not refunded earlier.
- ✓ Sector Inclusion: Covers all sectors and products, aiming to boost exports across industries.
- ✓ Rebate Rates: Rates are fixed based on average incidence of duties and taxes, with detailed guidelines for calculation.

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Implementation Strategy:

- ✓ Phased Rollout: Implemented gradually across different sectors and products to ensure smooth transition from MEIS.
- ✓ Customs Automation: Integration with customs systems to streamline refund processes.
- ✓ Monitoring and Evaluation: Regular review to adjust rebate rates and ensure effectiveness.

Benefits:

- **Enhanced Competitiveness:** Reduces export costs, making Indian products more competitive in global markets.
- **Boost to Manufacturing:** Encourages domestic manufacturing and value addition by reducing embedded taxes.
- **Export Promotion:** Supports exporters in expanding their market reach and increasing export volumes.

Challenges and Considerations:

- Complexity: Ensuring accurate calculation and verification of refund claims.
- Financial Impact: Budgetary considerations for the government due to potential revenue loss.
- Compliance: Ensuring exporters adhere to guidelines and utilize benefits appropriately.

Global Trade Context:

- WTO Compliance: Aligns with WTO norms on export subsidies and trade facilitation measures.

- Competitive Edge: Positions India as a competitive player in global trade by removing export-related bottlenecks.

Future Prospects:

- Continued Support: Likely to evolve with changing export dynamics and global trade policies.
- Sectoral Focus: Potential for sector-specific enhancements based on export performance and strategic priorities.



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