

INTRODUCTORY NOTES

The Demands for Grants presented separately under Article 203 of the Constitution seek the approval of State Legislative Assembly for "gross" amounts of expenditure without taking into account "recoveries" taken in reduction of expenditure in the accounts. Amounts of these recoveries are also shown in the respective Demands for Grants. The expenditure under each major head of account is shown in the Annual Financial Statement as net of these recoveries. The Article also provides that so much of the estimates relate to expenditure charged upon the Consolidated Fund of State shall not be submitted to the vote of the Legislative Assembly but nothing in this clause shall be construed as preventing the discussion in the Legislature of any of those estimates. Accordingly, the Demands for Grants also shows distinctly the provision for expenditure, if any, "Charged" on the Consolidated Fund of the State in relation to the service represented by the Demand. Where the provision for a service is entirely for expenditure "Charged" on the Consolidated Fund of the State, for example, Governor and Public Service Commission, a separate Appropriation, as distinct from a Demand, is presented, although no vote is sought thereon.

The Demands for Grants and the Appropriation for 2016-17 are presented to the Legislature in four volumes in respect of all the Departments. A summary of the Demands for Grants have been listed in the Statement preceding the Demands. It contains list of the Demands for Grants and Appropriation for 2016-17 showing against each the corresponding provision under Revenue Account and Capital Account (including Loans) as well as "Voted" and "Charged".

The estimates in each Demand have been reflected as Major Head, Sub-Major Head, Minor Head, Sub-Head, Detailed Head and Object Head of Accounts following the system of fifteen digit codification. The details of salary expenditure on various services is annexed vide Annexure I and district wise devolution of Fund to Local Bodies is annexed vide Annexure – II to IV.

The 14th Finance Commission Grant, Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes, Additional Central Assistance, Special Plan Assistance, Schemes under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources, North Eastern Council etc. are included in the Budget for 2016-17. These allocations are purely tentative and incurrence of expenditure under these schemes is subject to approval of the State Government and release of funds by the concerned Ministries of the Government of India.

A separate Demand for Grant has been created for newly established Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Department.
