



# Chhattisgarh Budget 2023-24

## Why In News?

On March 6, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel presented a budget of the year 2023-24 for the progress and prosperity of the state with the aim of 'Garhbo Nawa Chhattisgarh', in which a provision of Rs 1 lakh 21 thousand 500 crore was made. This budget will prove to be a strong step towards fulfilling the objectives contained in the 'Chhattisgarh Model' based on agriculture and rural economy.

## Key points

- Economic 2023-24 Status of Budget:
  - The state's gross domestic product of the current year 2022-23 is estimated at 8 percent compared to the year 2021-22 at a stable rate. This is higher than a 7 percent increase at the national level.
  - In the year 2022-23, there is a 5.93 percent increase in agriculture, 7.83 percent increase in industrial sector and 9.21 percent increase in service sector. Agriculture, industry and service are more estimated than the state growth rate center in all three areas.
  - The state's gross domestic product on the prevailing price increased from 4 lakh 06 thousand 416 crore in the year 2021-22 to 4 lakh 57 thousand 608 crore in the year 2022-23, which is 12.60 percent more than the previous year.
  - In the year 2021-22, per personal income per year of Rs 1,33,898 per person in 2022-23, which is 10.93 percent more than the previous year.
- Highlights of the Budget:
  - A provision of Rs 6,800 crore for Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyaya Scheme to make the state of Chhattisgarh, famous as a 'bowl of paddy'. Rajiv Gandhi Rural Landless Agricultural Worker Justice Scheme expansion for rural areas as well as Nagar Panchayat area.
  - A provision of Rs 250 crore for providing unemployment allowance at the rate of Rs 2500 per month under the new scheme to provide unemployment allowance to educated unemployed.
  - The amount of monthly pension given under the Social Security Pension Scheme to the destitute, elderly, disabled and widow and abandoned women will be given Rs 500 per month.
  - Provision of Rs 1000 crore for various urban infrastructure construction works in urban areas.
  - A provision of Rs 50 crore for the establishment of an industrial park in the urban area on the lines of the establishment of Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Park.
  - A provision of Rs 200 crore for the establishment of new medical colleges in Manendragarh, Geedam, Janjgir-Champa and Kabirdham districts.
  - A new thermal powerhouse will be established in Korba West. Provision of Rs 25 crore for this in the budget.
  - 101 Naveen Swami Atmanand provision of Rs 870 crore to open schools of English medium.
  - Provision of Rs 38 crore for Chief Minister Kanya Vivah Yojana.
  - Provision for introduction of Light Metro service from Nava Raipur Atal Nagar to Durg.
  - Monthly honorarium of Anganwadi workers 6,500 per month to Rs increased from Rs 10,000 per month. Honorarium of Anganwadi helpers 3,250 to Rs increased from Rs 5,000 per month. Honorarium of mini Anganwadi workers 4,500 to Rs increased from Rs 7,500 per month.

- Honorarium at the rate of 2200 rupees per month from the state item to Mitani sisters from earlier incentives.
- Village Kotwars increased the amount of earlier honorarium based on service land to Rs 3,000 to Rs 3,000, Rs 3,375 to Rs 4,500, Rs 4,050 increased to Rs 5,500 and Rs 4,500 to Rs 6,000 per month. Village Patel's monthly honorarium increased from Rs 2,000 to Rs 3,000.
- Under the mid-day meal program, the amount of honorarium being given to the kitchens that make lunch in schools increased to Rs 1,500 to Rs 1,800 per month. The honorarium of sanitation workers working in schools also increased from Rs 2,500 to Rs 2,800 per month.
- The honorarium of home guard personnel increases a minimum of Rs 6,300 to a maximum of Rs 6,420 per month.
- 750 rupees to the chairman of the Steering Committee of Swavalambi Gothans and Rs 500 to non-government members.
- 50 lakhs for interest grant on housing loans up to Rs 25 lakh under Journal House Construction Loan Grant Scheme for cooperation in private housing construction to journalists.

