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Forward

This Annual Report 2024-25 is coming out in the 10th year of registration of Budget Analysis and Research Centre (BARC) Trust based in Jaipur, Rajasthan. BARC Trust grew out of the Budget Analysis Rajasthan Centre of Astha Sansthan, a Udaipur based NGO. However, while the BARC Trust still has “Budget Analysis” as its core foundational activity, it has broadened its scope to work broadly on governance, with a focus on research on budget and policies and their implementation related to issues such as education, health, water, nutrition, agriculture, rural development, environment, and climate change, etc. BARC focuses on marginalized communities such as Dalits, tribals, DNT, women, children, and youth in rural and urban areas.

BARC is a small research organization, committed to making contribution accountable and transparent governance practices, and bring about a “better way of living” for all. It is important to highlight the issues vulnerable populations, making it part of the policy discourse in the country.

BARC works with local, district, state, national governments, civil society organizations like NGOs, and networks like Feminist Policy Collective and Right to Food Campaign and with media, elected representatives, students; international organizations like UNICEF and UN Women etc.

This Annual Report gives information about a small step forward in our effort to work for a better society in 2024-25. The reader will want also to visit the Website of BARC to get more information – www.barctrust.org.

Thank you for your interest in BARC Trust, and we are looking forward to the next 10 years of work!

Dr. Ginny Shrivastava

President, Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust

10 Years of BARC Trust: A Decade in numbers

Simplified Budget Data

Budget data (Rajasthan):
20 years

Budget Data (Rajasthan):
20 types of budget sheets

Budget analysis and budget data (India):
10 years

States:
3

Districts:
35+

Field Studies
: 10

Desk Studies
: 10

BARC Publications

Manual and Primers: 5

Notes on State Budget : 15

Policy Briefs: 6

Study Reports: 10

BARC Publications: topic wise

Children and Youth: 5

Panchayat Planning and Budget: 3

Nutrition: 3

ULBs : 3

SDGs: 2

Gender Budget: 1

Agriculture: 2

Covid-19: 5

Health: 1

PESA: 1

Workshops/Consultations

Pre Budget Consultations with CSOs: 10

Pre-Budget Workshops with MLAs: 5

Post Budget Events: 5

Capacity Building Workshops for Panchayat Leaders: 25

Capacity Building Workshops for ULB Leaders: 03

Workshop / Consultations with CSOs: 12

Gender Sensitization Workshops with Youth: 17

Workshops with Youth: 13

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BARC TRUST: AN INTRODUCTION

The Budget Analysis and Research Centre (BARC) Trust is an autonomous institution dedicated to promoting transparency and accountability in public governance by conducting in-depth analysis of fiscal policies and government budgets.

Formally registered as a Trust on March 4, 2015, BARC Trust's principal objective is to examine the Rajasthan State Government's budget allocations and assess whether the financial provisions made therein are adequate to realize commitments articulated in policy frameworks, election manifestos, budget speeches, and global declarations. The organisation disseminates its findings through capacity-building workshops and a range of publications.

BARC Trust is the institutional successor to the Budget Analysis Rajasthan Centre (also abbreviated BARC), which was established to deepen budgetary and social policy research and promote evidence-based advocacy. Originally founded in 2003, BARC began as a specialised research center focused on evaluating fiscal and policy measures of governments across different administrative levels—central, state, and local—to determine if financial appropriations align with declared policy priorities and commitments made at national and international platforms.

Throughout its existence, BARC has maintained a strong focus on equity-oriented budgeting, particularly in relation to vulnerable and marginalised communities. Its research initiatives have consistently foregrounded the needs of Dalits, Adivasis, women, and children. Moreover, BARC engages in training and knowledge-sharing activities in partnership with Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), civil society groups, non-governmental organisations, people's organisations, and media, fostering a decentralized and participatory approach to public finance monitoring.

VISION

BARC Trust's vision is of a policy environment that ensures rights, justice and well-being for all, especially the deprived and marginalized such as dalits, tribals, women, children, minorities and disabled. BARC Trust works with civil society, governments and media to create pro-people policies and budgetary processes.

MISSION

To simplify complicated budgetary data and key policy matters for the wider public, strengthen transparency and accountability in governance and increase capacities of marginalized groups to access government and non-government development programs.

OBJECTIVES OF BARC TRUST

- To strengthen transparency and accountability in governance
- To make public budget and its processes comprehensible for the wider public
- To facilitate marginalized groups in order to increase their access to the government and non-government development programmes and schemes
- To undertake training and capacity building of individuals and organizations (by collaborating with them)
- To coordinate and collaborate with the organizations in India and/or internationally to create networks which will focus on development of the poor
- To develop resource centers and documentation centers that would promote public education and accountability in governance and policy
- To undertake and provide consultancies to any person, institution, government or NGOs in the broad area of work

KEY FOCUS AREAS

1. Budget Transparency and Accountability

2. Local Self-Governing Organizations

3. Marginalised Groups

- Children
- Women
- Differently Abled Persons
- Dalits
- Tribals
- Senior Citizens
- Minorities
- Unorganised Workers
- Urban Poor

4. Social Sector

- Health
- Education
- Drinking Water and Sanitation
- Social Security
- Nutrition and Food Security

5. Rural Economy

- Agriculture
- Irrigation
- Employment
- Housing

6. Energy, Environment and Climate Change

KEY ACTIVITIES

Policy Analysis and Research
Budget Analysis and Advocacy
Budget and Planning of Local Self-Governing Bodies
Capacity Building and Training
Workshops and Seminars
Partnerships and Networking
Monitoring and Evaluation
Publications

Activities in 2024-25

Budget Advocacy

Pre-Budget Consultation with CSOs

The Pre-Budget Consultation for the state budget 2025-26 was organized by the Budget Analysis and Research Centre (BARC), Rajasthan, in collaboration with the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), Jaipur, on January 15, 2025. The event brought together **65 participants** from diverse backgrounds, including academics, civil society representatives, and journalists, for a day-long dialogue on sectoral budget priorities. The consultation was inaugurated with a welcome address by Dr. Nesar Ahmed and chaired by Prof. Vinish Kathuria. Thematic presentations included a critical analysis of the health status in Rajasthan post-Right to Health Act (presented by Chhaya) and challenges faced under the education by Prof. Shobhita Rajagopal. Discussions also focused on schemes for women and children, and a thought-provoking session led by Mr. Satish Kumar raised the need to look beyond mere budget size when considering marginalized groups. The consultation concluded with group work and a panel discussion titled *“How to Influence the State for a People-Centric Budget”*, featuring perspectives from academia, civil society (Ms. Kavita Srivastava), and the media (Anand Chaudhary). A charter of demands based on the discussions held in the consultation, was compiled by BARC was submitted online to the government of Rajasthan.



Pre Budget Consultation with MLAs

Rajasthan government presented its modified budget for the year 2024-25 in July 2024. BARC Trust along with Resource Institute for Human Rights (RIHR) organised a pre-budget consultation with the

members of legislative assembly (MLAs) and civil society organisation on July 03, 2024, just before the modified budget was presented. About 30 participants, including 7 MLAs and CSO members participated in the workshop. BARC's director Nesar Ahmad presented the financial status of the of the Rajasthan government and the CSO members shared their views on various development issues including child rights, health and education. The MLAs took keen interest in the budget related issues and said that such consultations are useful for the MLAs before the budget session.



Analysis of State Budget 2024-25 and 2025-26

State government presented the modified state budget for the year 2024-25 in the month of July 2024. BARC Trust analysed the state budget and came out with a quick brief analysis of the state budget 2024-25 which was published in the Jaipur edition of Punjab Kesari on the next day of the budget. BARC Director also participated in the discussion on the state budget on various TV news channels. Later a detailed analysis of the state budget was prepared and sent to the various CSOs in the state and was also uploaded on the BARC's website.

350 बिलियन डॉलर की अर्थव्यवस्था अब आसान लक्ष्य

नेसार अहमद
प्र देश की भजनलाल सरकार ने वर्ष 2025-26 बजट में कई घोषणाएँ की और कई पिछले वर्ष की घोषणाएँ और संकल्पों को दोहराया है। राज्य सरकार ने बजट में राज्य की अर्थव्यवस्था का आकार 350 बिलियन डॉलर तक ले जाने का संकल्प दोहराया जो राज्य की वर्तमान आर्थिक वृद्धि की दर को देखते हुए बड़ा लक्ष्य है। राज्य सरकार ने गिग वर्कर्स फंड बनाने को पुनः घोषणा की जिसे अब गिग एण्ड अनऑर्गनाइज्ड वर्कर्स डेवलपमेंट फंड कहा जाएगा।

राज्य की अर्थव्यवस्था में चालू वर्ष (2024-25) में प्रचलित मूल्यों पर 12 प्रतिशत तथा स्थिर मूल्यों पर 7.8 प्रतिशत की दर से वृद्धि होने का अनुमान है। हालाँकि 2025-26 में आर्थिक विकास की दर का अनुमान 16.75

प्रतिशत रखा गया है। वर्ष 2025-26 के बजट का आकार पिछले वर्ष के 4.95 लाख करोड़ रुपये से बढ़कर 5.37 लाख करोड़ रूपए होने का अनुमान है जो वर्तमान वर्ष के संशोधित अनुमान से लगभग 7.8 प्रतिशत अधिक है। आगामी वर्ष में सरकार को राजस्व प्राप्तियाँ (बजट अनुमान) भी इस वर्ष

(2024-25) के संशोधित अनुमान से लगभग 24 प्रतिशत अधिक हैं वहीं राजस्व व्यय में 10.54 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है। सरकार ने 2025-26 में कुल पूंजीगत परिव्यय (कैपिटल आउटले) को 53,686 करोड़ का लक्ष्य रखा है जो इस वर्ष के संशोधित अनुमान से 40 प्रतिशत अधिक है तथा कुल बजट का लगभग 10 प्रतिशत है।

इस वर्ष (2024-25) के अर्कों पर नजर डालें तो इस वर्ष में सरकार

को संशोधित राजस्व आय और राजस्व व्यय जहाँ बजट अनुमान के लगभग बराबर हैं, वहीं संशोधित पूंजीगत परिव्यय बजट अनुमान के 44,216 करोड़ रुपये से घट कर 38,288 करोड़ रूपए रह गया है, जो बजट अनुमान से 13 प्रतिशत कम है। यह पूंजीगत परिव्यय में कम बजट उपयोग

को दर्शाता है। 2025-26 के बजट अनुमान में पुनः पूंजीगत परिव्यय में काफी वृद्धि हुई है। इस प्रकार सरकार का राजस्व घाटा 31,0941 करोड़ रूपये पर रखा गया है, जो इस वर्ष (2024-25) के संशोधित अनुमान के बराबर ही है। वहीं राजकोषीय घाटा 84,758 करोड़ रूपये है जो जीएसटीपी का 4.25 प्रतिशत है। यह पिछले वर्ष जीएसटीपी 3.99 प्रतिशत था। सरकार ने राजकोषीय घाटा के अधिकतम सीमा में मिली छूट का लाभ

लिया है। इसके साथ ही इस बजट में कई घोषणाएँ भी हुई हैं। इस वर्ष पुनः 9 ग्रोनफोल्ड एक्सप्रेस वे की घोषणा हुई है। 9 ग्रोनफोल्ड एक्सप्रेस वे की घोषणा पिछले वर्ष भी हुई थी लेकिन यह स्पष्ट नहीं है कि इस वर्ष नई सड़कें बनाई जाएंगी या वे पुरानी घोषणा ही है। उम्मी प्रकार गिग (संघ पृष्ठ 13 कालम 2 पृष्ठ)

त्वरित विश्लेषण



निदेशक, बजट अध्ययन एवं अनुसंधान केंद्र, जयपुर

20 feb. 2025

In the February 2025, the state government presented its annual budget for the year 2025-26. BARC Trust analysed the state budget and a brief note on Rajasthan budget 2025-26 was published in Punjab Kesri, Jaipur.



पहले पूर्ण बजट को अमलीजामा पहनाना बड़ी चुनौती

नेसार अहमद
उप-मुख्यमंत्री दिवा कुमारी ने वर्तमान भाजपा सरकार का पहला बजट पेश करते हुए राज्य की अर्थ-व्यवस्था का आकार अगले 5 सालों में 350 बिलियन डॉलर करने का लक्ष्य रखा है। इसके अलावा 9 अन्य संकल्पों, जिसमें बुनियादी सुविधाएँ, पानी, बिजली-सड़क, सुनियोजित शहरी, ग्रामीण, क्षेत्रीय विकास, किसान का आर्थिक सशक्तिकरण, सतत एवं हरित विकास, मानव संसाधन विकास, सामाजिक सुरक्षा, सूक्ष्मस आदि शामिल हैं, के साथ वर्ष 2024-25 का परिवर्तित बजट पेश किया। इससे पहले राज्य सरकार ने

फरवरी में अंतरिम बजट पेश किया था, जिसमें कुछ घोषणाएँ की गई थीं। परिवर्तित बजट में सरकार ने हर साल 1 लाख नौकरी देने का वादा किया है। पंचायत एवं शहरी निकायों के साथ सहकारी समितियों के चुनाव भी साथ-साथ करवाने की घोषणा की तथा खाद्य श्यामजी में वारंणसी में बने कंटीडोर को तब पर कंटीडोर बनाने की भी घोषणा की गई। बजट के साथ जारी किए आर्थिक समीक्षा 2023-24 के अनुसार राज्य में अर्थव्यवस्था वृद्धि की दर 2021-22, 2022-23 एवं 2023-24 में क्रमशः 8.95 प्रतिशत, 7.81 प्रतिशत तथा 8.03 प्रतिशत रही है तथा वर्ष 2023-24 में प्रति व्यक्ति आय स्थिर दरों पर 9083 रूपए है। कृषि, जिस पर देश की अधिकांश जनता निर्भर

है, की वृद्धि दर घटकर वर्ष 2023-24 में 2.12 प्रतिशत रह गई। वहीं औद्योगिक वृद्धि की दर 12.42 प्रतिशत रही है, जो कोरोना के बाद सर्वाधिक है। सेवा क्षेत्रों में भी 2023-24 में आर्थिक वृद्धि की दर में कमी आई है।

त्वरित विश्लेषण

इसके साथ ही राज्य में बेरोजगारी एवं महंगाई जैसी बड़ी चुनौतियाँ हैं। ऐसे में राज्य सरकार ने इस बजट से राज्य के सभी वर्गों के लिए घोषणाएँ करने का प्रयास किया है। इस वर्ष बजट का आकार 4.95 लाख करोड़ का है जो पिछले वर्ष के बजट अनुमान से 26.76 प्रतिशत तथा संशोधित अनुमान से लगभग 8 प्रतिशत अधिक है। इस प्रकार बजट के आकार में

पिछले वर्ष के संशोधित अनुमान से कोई विशेष वृद्धि नहीं हुई है। सरकार को राजस्व प्राप्तियाँ भी पिछले वर्ष के 2.34 लाख करोड़ रूपए (बजट अनुमान) से बढ़कर 2.64 लाख करोड़ रूपए हो गई हैं। उम्मी प्रकार सरकार का राजस्व व्यय 2.58 लाख करोड़ रूपए (बजट अनुमान) से बढ़कर 2.90 लाख करोड़ रूपए हो गया है। हालाँकि राजस्व व्यय का एक बड़ा हिस्सा (लगभग 40 प्रतिशत) वेंचन एवं पेंशन पर खर्च होता है। इस तरह सरकार का राजस्व घाटा 25758 करोड़ रूपए रहने का अनुमान है जो राजस्व प्राप्तियों का लगभग 10 प्रतिशत है। वहीं, 2024-25 में 44216 करोड़ रूपए का पूंजीगत खर्च अनुमानित है जो पिछले वर्ष के बजट

अनुमान से लगभग 6 हजार करोड़ रूपए अधिक है। इस बजट में कई प्रमुख घोषणाएँ भी हुई हैं। जैसे आयुष्मान भारत योजना में कैसर रोगियों को और अधिक चिकित्सा सुविधा उपलब्ध करवाते हुए और राहत देने की घोषणा की गई है। लेकिन इस योजना का लाभ खाद्य सुरक्षा के लाभार्थी के अलावा अन्य रोगी ले सकेंगे या नहीं यह स्पष्ट नहीं है। इसी प्रकार इस वर्ष 15 लाख लघुपति दीदी बनाने का लक्ष्य रखा गया है। विपक्षीय ने राज्य में आयुष्मान हेल्थ इन्स्यूरकर मिशन की घोषणा की है जिसमें अगले 3 वर्षों में 15 हजार करोड़ रूपए खर्च किये जाएंगे। बजटों के घोषणा को दिता में ऑनलाइन केन्द्रों पर सप्ताह में 3 दिन दुप दिव्य जाने की

घोषणा हुई है। हालाँकि कई राज्यों में ऑनलाइन केन्द्रों पर अण्ड भी उपलब्ध करवाया जाता है। अलग-अलग क्षेत्रों की बात करें तो विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में जो ऑनलाइन हैं वो लगभग अंतरिम बजट अनुमानों के समान ही हैं। (संघ पृष्ठ 13 कालम 1 पृष्ठ)



निदेशक, बजट अध्ययन एवं अनुसंधान केंद्र, जयपुर

11/07/2024

Post Budget Event: Online Discussion on Budget 2024-25

An online discussion on the state budget 2024-25 (modified) was organised by the Jaipur CSOs on July 13, 2024 in which BARC Trust presented detailed analysis of the state budget. The online discussion was attended by more than 50 participants from various parts of the state. The participants also shared their views on the budget and asked various questions related to the budget.

Analysis of Union Budget 2024-25 and 2025-26

In the month of July 2024, the union government presented its budget for the year 2024-25. BARC Trust came out with quick analysis of the union budget 2024-25 which was published in the Jaipur edition of Punjab Kesari and also on a national news portal and it was also posted on BARC's website.

विशेषज्ञ मान रहे

लंबे अंतराल में प्रभाव दिखाने वाली घोषणाएं

केंद्रीय वित्तमंत्री ने बजट पेश करते हुए हालांकि सभी वर्गों को खुश करने का प्रयास किया, लेकिन वर्तमान केन्द्रीय सरकार के दो प्रमुख सहयोगियों को छोड़कर कोई ज्यादा संतुष्ट दिख नहीं रहा। 48 लाख करोड़ के बजट में विशेष जोर रोजगार सृजन और कौशल विकास पर दिया गया। देश में बढ़ती बेरोजगारी के मद्देनजर यह अपेक्षित भी था। इंटरनेट को बढ़ावा, रोजगार देने पर कंपनियों को इंसेंटिव, भविष्य निर्धि में जमा करने पर इंसेंटिव, उच्च शिक्षा के लिए कर्ज, कामकाजी महिलाओं के लिए पीपीपी मोड में हॉस्टल, अगले पांच साल में 20 लाख युवाओं का कौशल विकास तथा 1000 आईटीआई को हब में बदलने जैसी कुछ घोषणाएं हुई हैं, जिनसे रोजगार में वृद्धि अपेक्षित है। हालांकि इन प्रयासों का क्या और कितना प्रभाव होगा यह देखने को इंतजार करना होगा।

राजस्थान के लिये विशेष नहीं : जहां तक राजस्थान की बात है बजट में ऐसी कोई विशेष घोषणा राज्य के संदर्भ में नहीं की गई है। पर्यटन जो राज्य में विशेष महत्व रखता है उसे संबोधित सभी घोषणाएं बिहार और ओडिशा के लिए हैं, लेकिन कुछ सामान्य घोषणाओं से राज्य को लाभ हो सकता है। कपड़ा उत्पादों पर कस्टम में छूट की घोषणा से राज्य के कपड़ा उद्योग को कुछ सहायता मिल सकती है। सोना-चांदी और प्लेटिनम पर कस्टम में कटौती से राज्य के आभूषण क्षेत्र को फायदा पहुंच सकता है। सौर ऊर्जा सेल और पैनल के निर्माण में काम आने वाले वस्तुओं पर छूट से भी राज्य के सौर ऊर्जा क्षेत्र को लाभ हो सकता है।

बजट में 9 प्राथमिकताओं को पहचान की गई है। इनमें कृषि में उत्पादकता और मौसम लचीलापन को बढ़ावा, रोजगार एवं कौशल विकास, समावेशी मानव विकास एवं सामाजिक न्याय, विनिर्माण एवं सेवाएं, शहरी विकास, उर्जा सुरक्षा, नवाचार अनुसंधान एवं विकास आदि शामिल हैं। कृषि अनुसंधान को बढ़ावा, प्राकृतिक खेती, दालों और तिलहन के मिशन आदि पर जोर दिया गया है। कृषि एवं सब्सिडी क्षेत्रों का बजट 1.52 लाख करोड़ का रखा गया है। हालांकि कृषि विभाग का बजट 1.22 लाख करोड़ का है, जो पिछले साल से सिर्फ 6 हजार करोड़ रुपए अधिक है। राष्ट्रीय कृषि विकास योजना और कृषोजाति योजना के बजट में 400-400 करोड़ रुपए की वृद्धि हुई है, जबकि प्रधानमंत्री किसान सम्मान निधि का बजट पिछले वर्ष के समान ही है। बजट में कृषि अनुसंधान पर भी जोर दिया गया है, लेकिन कृषि अनुसंधान और शिक्षा विभाग का बजट पिछले वर्ष के संशोधित बजट से सिर्फ 100 करोड़ रुपए अधिक है।

वंचित समुदायों के लिए बजट : अगर वंचित समुदायों के लिए बजट की बात करें तो सामाजिक न्याय एवं अधिकारिता विभाग के बजट में पिछले वर्ष से मात्र 1.2 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है, जबकि निःशक्त जनों के सशक्तिकरण विभाग का बजट पिछले वर्ष के समान ही है। जनजाति मंत्रालय के बजट में 4.3 प्रतिशत, अल्पसंख्यक मामलों विभाग के बजट में 1.3 प्रतिशत तथा महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय के बजट में मात्र 2.5 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है। हालांकि अल्पसंख्यक मंत्रालय की योजना प्रधानमंत्री जन विकास कार्यक्रम का बजट बढ़ा है। अनुसूचित जाति एवं अनुसूचित जनजाति कल्याण के कुल बजट में क्रमशः 4 प्रतिशत एवं 1.27 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है।

नेसार अहमद, निदेशक बजट अध्ययन एवं अनुसंधान केंद्र

को बढ़ावा, रोजगार एवं कौशल विकास, समावेशी मानव विकास

24 July 2024

In February 2025, the union government presented its budget for the year 2025-26. BARC Trust's article based on the analysis of the union budget got published in Punjab Kesari. BARC Trust also contributed to the union analysis of the union budget 2025-26 by Feminist Policy Collective, which got published in the Times of India and on the FPC's website.

Research Studies and Other Programmes

Technical Support to Social Audit of Schools Programme

As part of our continued partnership with UNICEF, BARC Trust supported the Department of Education, Government of Rajasthan, in their School Social Audit Programme. The initiative aimed to embed transparency, community participation, and institutional accountability within the school education system.

To strengthen the foundation for participatory audits, BARC supported the Department of Education in developing a **functional implementation mechanism involving multiple stakeholders**. BARC Trust conducted following activities under the programme:

1. Criteria of selection of 20% schools and a district wise list of all 20% selected schools for the Social Audit
2. Guidance note on school social audit for the education department, including format to collect good practices and suggested format to present the social audit results.

3. Guidance note on school social audit for block level officials and PEOs and teachers.

Landscaping Study on Issues of Youth in Rajasthan

BARC Trust conducted a landscaping study for SaftiPin, under their Rajasthan programme named City for Youth. The study aimed to analyze policies, programme and budgets for urban youth in Rajasthan through the "Live, Move, Grow, Play" framework to assess youth inclusion, gender responsiveness, and civic participation. Using a desk-based review of state budgets, departmental reports, and policy documents, the study highlights critical gaps in civic engagement, affordable housing, health services, education, gender budgeting, and urban infrastructure. It finds underutilized funds, staffing shortages, and limited youth-oriented initiatives, while also identifying opportunities for systemic improvements through better planning, interdepartmental coordination, and youth engagement in governance. The study report has been submitted to SaftiPin.

Conferences and Workshops

Roundtable with Women Panchayat Leaders on Economic Participation of Women and Women's Mobility in Rajasthan

The Civil Society Roundtable on "Economic Participation of Women and Women's Mobility in Rajasthan," held on July 5–6, 2024, at the Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur, was organized by SOHARD and FES-New Delhi, with BARC Trust as co-organizer. The event began with registration and a welcome session, where Mr. Niranjana Sharma and Ms. Gayatri Sharma outlined the objectives and introduced participants. This was followed by a policy and program overview session on rural women's economic empowerment, chaired by Dr. Rajendra Bhanawat, featuring insights from representatives of Institute for What Works to Advance Gender Equity (IWWAGE), BARC Trust, and Rajeevika. Post-lunch, discussions focused on the NRLM/Rajeevika Mission's role in enabling women's self-employment in Rajasthan, chaired by Ms. Aparna Sahay. A presentation on self-employment landscapes by SOHARD was made in the session chaired by Ms. Gayatri Sharma. Haryana's Next session was on the experiences of Aajeevika Mission, Haryana which was chaired by Mr. Ram Chander Punia. Session has contributions from women SHG leaders under the Mission. Day two began with a recap, then transitioned into a panel on the role of PRIs in fostering a supportive environment for women entrepreneurs via GPDP, chaired by Dr. Jitender Prasad. The following session, chaired by Ms. Toolika Gupta, explored institutional roles in expanding rural livelihood opportunities for women. The final thematic session, chaired by Ms. Kanchan Mathur, addressed women's safety and the legal-administrative mechanisms in place, with presentations by VISHAKHA organization and Sathins (a frontline workers of Department of Women and Child Development). The event concluded with remarks and acknowledgements by Mr. Deen Dayal Sharma.

Two day workshop on Role of Panchayats in Strengthening Social Security

On July 26-27, 2024, BARC Trust co-organised, with Prayas Chittorgarh, a two-day workshop on Role of Panchayats in Strengthening Social Security. About 100 participants participated in the workshop from across the state.

BARC's Stall in the RTI Convention at Beawar

School for Democracy organised a RTI Convention in Beawar on October 19-20, 2024. BARC Trust put a stall displaying our work and publications in the convention.



Collaboration and Networking

Since beginning BARC Trust has been collaborating with national level CSO networks like Feminist Policy Collective (FPC), People's Budget Initiative (PBI), MAKAM, Right to Food Campaign etc. as well as with state level networks like Suchna evam Rozgar Adhikar Abhiyan (SR Abhiyan), Rozi Roti Adhikar Abhiyan, Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA), Rajasthan etc.

This year also BARC continued to work with these networks. BARC Trust participated in the pre-budget consultation organised by the FPC and contributed to the analysis of the budget by the

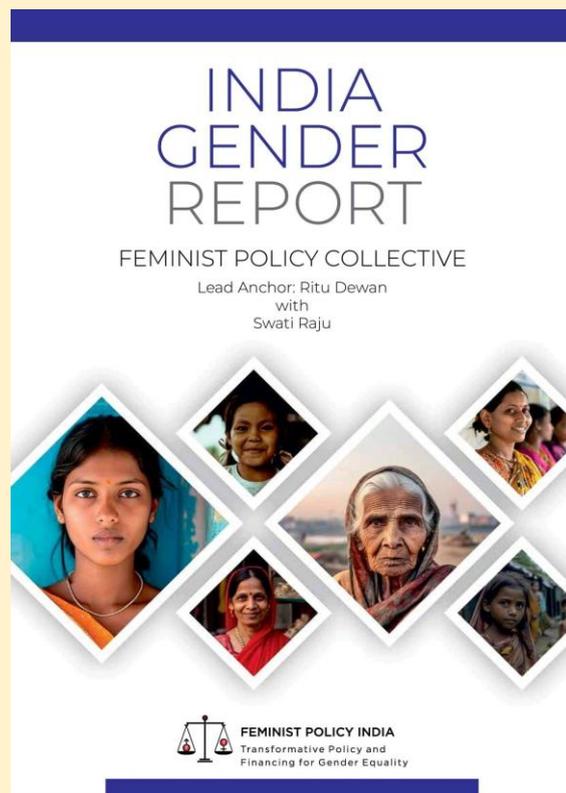
Collective. BARC Trust collaborated with Prayas, Chittorgarh and SOHARD, Alwar to organize workshop and roundtable discussions.

BARC as Resource Centre

One of the roles that BARC Trust assumes the role of a Resource Centre for the NGOs/POs, as well as for the journalists, MLAs and the public at large. The Centre was set up to provide high quality research data and analysis to support advocacy efforts. During the year 2024-25 also BARC provided support to various organizations.

Publications

BARC Trust has continued to publish policy briefs, manuals and booklets and study reports. This year BARC prepared and submitted the landscaping study report to SaftiPin. Besides BARC's director contributed a chapter in the **India Gender Report, 2024**, the first of its kind – by the Feminist Policy India, conceived and envisaged in the context of the many gendered rights that are enshrined in the Constitution of India. Besides these BARC Trust has prepared and finalized the drafts of the following documents which are going to be finalized and posted on BARC's website.



Box: Organizational Development

- **Meeting cum Training of Internal Complaint Committee on Sexual Harassment at workplace**

BARC Trust has formed an Internal Complaint Committee on Sexual Harassment as mandated in The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. BARC Trust organized a training for its team on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and POSH focusing on understating of the gender issues, including sexual harassment and gender discrimination, dimensions and forms of sexual harassment.

A meeting of the Internal Complaint Committee on Sexual Harassment of BARC Trust was also organised in August 2024.

Website

BARC Trust's website (www.barctrust.org) has been created to help citizens and other organizations to find information about Rajasthan state's budget and public policies with a pro-poor and pro-marginalised peoples' perspective. As a portal for budget and policy related information, the site gives an overview of Rajasthan's socio-economic status, and provides simplified versions of the state's budget and policies over the years.

The website is structured to reflect our strategic focus. Apart from "About Us", which introduces the visitors to the Trust's Vision, Mission and Objectives, the site has sections on "Rajasthan Budget Data Simplified", which presents the Rajasthan government's budget data in a simpler form and the "Local Bodies" which introduces the visitors to the Trust's work with the Panchayats and ULBs. The publication section provides all our publications online.

'Rajasthan's Budget Simplified' section has been updated and various data sheets, compiling the state budget sector wise and various head wise, department wise budget, scheme wise budget and budget for health and nutrition as well as TSP and SC-SP budget, gender budget, budget for children, budget for SDGs etc. include data of the most years. New publications have been added in the publication section as well. The section on "Recent Programmes" provides information on latest programmes being conducted by BARC Trust.

Annexures

Annexure– 1

Workshops and seminars attended by BARC Trust Team members in 2024-25:

Nesar Ahmad, Director

- Participated in PL Mimroth Memorial Ceremony in April, 2024
- Participated as speaker in a workshop on NFSA Rules framed by various states at National Law School of India University in May 2024
- Made a presentation on Economic Empowerment of Women in the CSO Meet organised by Sohard and BARC Trust
- Participated as resource person in Right to Food Campaign Workshop
- Participated in the panel discussion on the schemes under NFSA in the ‘Multi-stakeholder Dialogue for Building Resilient Food Systems through Governance: Practices and Learnings’ organised by NLSIU in New Delhi in September 2024
- Participated as resource person in training workshop on Gender Responsive Budget by Transforming Rural India in September 2024
- Participated in the discussion on TSP and SC-SP organised by Centre for Dalit Rights (CDR) in October 2024
- Presented two papers on “Single Women Land Rights” and “Land Administration and Women Land Rights in Rajasthan” in the India Land and Development Conference in Pune in November 2024
- Participated as resource person in a training workshop on gender audit and GRB in Gram Panchayats organised by PRADAN, Jharkhand
- Participated in a two day workshop in City for Youth programme by SaftiPin
- Participated in the partners’ meet organised by Foundation for Ecological Security in January 2025
- Participated as resource person in the training workshop on gender responsive budgeting in road and transport sector organised by RSHA in January 2025 and again in March 2025.
- Provided training on GRB at HCM RIPA

Annexure–2

Trustees of BARCT rust

Dr. Virginia (Ginny) Shrivastava, President

Dr. Ginny Shrivastava is of the founders of Astha Sansthan and has played key role in establishing various organisations like Ekal Nari Shakti Sangathan and BARC Trust. She has been working on various issues related to women, tribals and other oppressed sections of society in Rajasthan since 1970. She completed her Masters in Adult Education from the University of Toronto, Canada in 1970. Dr. Ginny Shrivastava doctoral thesis completed in 1980 was on "Non-formal education programmes for women in India".

Dr. Pradeep Bhargava, Secretary

Dr. Pradeep Bhargava recently retired as a Professor from the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak (MP). Previously, he has been a faculty at the Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur from 1987 to 2007 and also at GB Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad. He holds a PhD in Economics from University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. He has published in various Indian and international journals. He has led multiple policy dialogues with the state and central governments and multi-lateral agencies.

Ms. Sharda Jain, Treasurer

Ms. Sharda Jain has worked as account and finance coordinator in Astha Sansthan for more than 30 years. She has led the overall financial activities of Astha and has extensive experience of preparing annual budget of the organizations, accounts and financial reports for donor agencies, tax compliance, accounting and auditing requirements of the organizations.

Ms. Aditi Mehta, IAS (Retired)

Ms. Aditi Mehta is a Retired Government Official. She has done MA (Economics) and MBA (Administration) from Harvard University. During her tenure as IAS, she held various important positions in Administration, Finance and Social Sector in the Government of Rajasthan and retired as Additional Chief Secretary from the Government of Rajasthan.

Dr. Nesar Ahmad, Director (Ex-officio member, BOT)

Nesar Ahmad is the founder director of BARC Trust. He holds Ph.D. degree from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on a topic related to “Women and Technology in the Mining Sector”. He has done MSW from Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) University, New Delhi and has experience of working with various NGOs in India. His interest areas include: issues related to poverty, livelihood, food security development-induced displacement, gender, women’s rights, child rights, and issues of governance, decentralization, and budget analysis and advocacy.

Annexure- 3

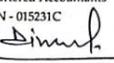
Details of income and expenditure of BARC Trust during 2024-25

BUDGET ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH CENTRE TRUST
Registered Office - 1/244, SFS, Agarwal Farm, Mansarovar, Jaipur - 302020
Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2025

(Amount in Rs.)

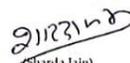
Particulars	Note	31 March 2025			31 March 2024		
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
I Income							
(a) Donations and Grants		91,051.00	1,350,500.00	1,441,551.00	-	1,989,000.00	1,989,000.00
(b) Fees from Rendering of Services		206,800.00	-	206,800.00	185,000.00	-	185,000.00
(c) Sale of Goods		-	-	-	-	-	-
II Other Income	12	32,319.00	-	32,319.00	35,897.00	-	35,897.00
III Total Income (I+II)		330,170.00	1,350,500.00	1,680,670.00	220,897.00	1,989,000.00	2,209,897.00
IV Expenses:							
(a) Material consumed/distributed		-	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Donations/contributions paid		-	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Employee benefits expense	13	326,000.00	-	326,000.00	91,000.00	-	91,000.00
(d) Depreciation and amortization expense		-	-	-	-	-	-
(e) Finance costs		-	-	-	-	-	-
(f) Other expenses	14	234,193.62	16,000.00	250,193.62	224,832.15	-	224,832.15
(g) Religion/charitable expenses	14	-	893,910.00	893,910.00	6,000.00	2,120,063.00	2,126,063.00
(h) Capital Expenses		26,000.00	-	26,000.00	15,500.00	-	15,500.00
Total expenses		586,193.62	909,910.00	1,496,103.62	337,332.15	2,120,063.00	2,457,395.15
V Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year before exceptional and extraordinary items (III-IV)		(256,023.62)	440,590.00	184,566.38	(116,435.15)	(131,063.00)	(247,498.15)
VI Exceptional items (specify nature & provide note/delete if none)		-	-	-	-	-	-
VII Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year before extraordinary items (V-VI)		(256,023.62)	440,590.00	184,566.38	(116,435.15)	(131,063.00)	(247,498.15)
VIII Extraordinary Items (specify nature & provide note/delete if none)		-	-	-	-	-	-
IX Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year (VII-VIII)		(256,023.62)	440,590.00	184,566.38	(116,435.15)	(131,063.00)	(247,498.15)
Appropriations Transfer to funds, e.g., Restricted Funds		-	440,590.00	440,590.00	-	27,388.00	27,388.00
Transfer from Restricted funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance transferred from General Fund		(256,023.62)	-	(256,023.62)	(116,435.15)	(158,451.00)	(274,886.15)
		(256,023.62)	440,590.00	184,566.38	(116,435.15)	(131,063.00)	(247,498.15)
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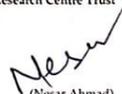
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Chartered Accountants
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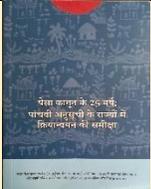
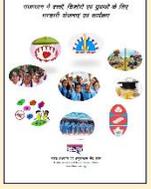
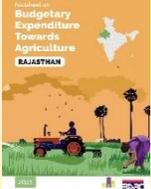
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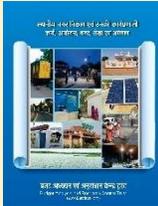
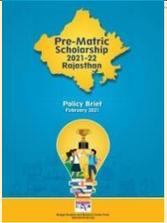
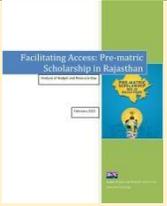

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Treasurer
TREASURER
Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust


(Nesar Ahmad)
Director
DIRECTOR
Budget Analysis and Research Centre Trust

Annexure– 4

List of Publications of BARC Trust

Cover	Title	Description
	Study on “25 Years of PESA: Slow Progress in Rajasthan”	The study caters the implementation of the very crucial PESA act in scheduled areas of Rajasthan.
	A booklet on “Government Schemes and Programmes for Children, Adolescents and Youths in Rajasthan (in Hindi)”	The booklet details the schemes and programmes for Children, Adolescents and Youths in Rajasthan
	Factsheet on Budgetary Expenditure towards Agriculture in Rajasthan, with CBGA	Factsheet on budget for agriculture in Rajasthan
	Agriculture in Rajasthan: Status, Policies and Budget (in Hindi), with CBGA and Astha	A policy Brief on Agriculture in Rajasthan
	Rajasthan Budget Note 2021	A note on state budget 2021-22
	Mitigating the Impacts of Covid-19 Lessons From the First Wave – Policy Brief (2021)	A policy brief on Impact of Covid-19
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	Policy Brief on Budget and programmes for Minorities (Hindi) (2021)	Major issues of Minorities in Rajasthan
	Policy Brief Pre-Matric on Scholars in Rajasthan hip2021-22 (2021)	Estimation of resource gap in pre-matric scholarship
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	Policy Brief on TSP & SCSP in Rajasthan (Hindi) (2019)	A policy brief arguing for the legislation for TSP and SC-SP in Rajasthan
	Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition-Rajasthan (2019)	An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Rajasthan

	<p>Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition-Dholpur (2019)</p>	<p>An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Dholpur district</p>
	<p>Policy Brief on Resource gap in nutrition-Udaipur(2019)</p>	<p>An estimation of required budget for proper implementation of nutrition schemes in Udaipur district</p>
	<p>Promoting Participation: Unpacking the Budgetary Process of the State Government (2019)</p>	<p>Explaining the budget cycle and budgetary process in the state for the civil society and people's organizations and common people</p>
	<p>Promoting Participation: Unpacking the Budgetary Process of the State Government (Hindi) (2019)</p>	<p>Explaining the budget cycle and budgetary process in the state for the civil society and people's organizations and common people in Hindi</p>
	<p>Skill Development Policies and Programmes in Rajasthan: An Overview (2019)</p>	<p>An analysis of skill development Policies and Programmes in Rajasthan</p>
	<p>Status of Child Budget in India and way forward for Rajasthan (2019)</p>	<p>Status of child budget in India and how Rajasthan can move ahead.</p>

	<p>Policy Brief on District Mineral Fund Trust (Hindi) (2019)</p>	<p>A policy brief on utilization of DMFT funds in Rajasthan</p>
	<p>Social Sector Budgets in Rajasthan (2019)</p>	<p>An analysis of social sector budgets in Rajasthan in last five years</p>
	<p>Village Work Guideline [Gram Karya Nirdeshika (GKN)] (Hindi) (2017)</p>	<p>The Gram Village Work Guideline [Gram Karya Nirdeshika (GKN)] is a detailed guideline which sets the norms for the Panchayats to carry out their work. This manual provides a summary of the GKN in simple Hindi.</p>
	<p>Panchayati Raj System in Uttarakhand (Hindi) (2016)</p>	<p>This booklet gives a gist of the Panchayati Raj system in Uttarakhand and is based on the Uttarakhand Panchayati Raj Act.</p>
	<p>Policies and Programmes for Children in Rajasthan (2016)</p>	<p>This booklet highlights policies and programs for children in Rajasthan and has been published with support of UNICEF, Rajasthan.</p>
	<p>Sources of Funds for Panchayats (2016) (In Hindi)</p>	<p>This booklet highlights the sources of funds available to the Panchayats in Rajasthan and what work can be done with the available funds according to their guidelines.</p>