CHAPTER - I

AN OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCES OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT

1.1 Introduction

This chapter discusses the financial position of the State Government, based on the analysis of information contained in the Finance Accounts. The analysis is based on trends in receipts and expenditure, the quality of expenditure and the financial management of the State Government. In addition, the chapter also contains a section on the analysis of indicators of financial performance of the Government, based on certain ratios and indices developed on the basis of the information contained in the Finance Accounts and other information furnished by the State Government. Some of the terms used in this chapter are described in **Appendix - I.**

1.2 Financial position of the State

1.2.1 In the Government accounting system comprehensive accounting of fixed assets like land and buildings, etc., owned by the Government is not done. However, Government accounts do capture the financial liabilities of the Government and the assets created out of expenditure incurred by the Government. The table below gives an abstract of such liabilities and the assets as on 31 March 2002, compared with the corresponding position on 31 March 2001.

Table 1.1

(Rupees in crore)

			(===F			
As on 31.03.2001			As on 31.03.2002			
525.70		Internal Debt	Internal Debt			
	164.13	Market Loans bearing interest	180.89			
		Market Loans not bearing interest				
	120.77	Loans from LIC	160.63			
	116.69	Loans from other Institutions	122.64			
	0.24	Loans from General Insurance Corporation of India	0.14			
	28.00	Ways and Means Advances from RBI	141.24			
	95.87	Overdraft from Reserve Bank of India	21.45			
493.36		Loan and Advances from Central Government		564.09		
	72.06	Non-Plan Loans	72.82			
	263.75	Loans for State Plan Schemes	294.49			
	3.43	Loans for Central Plan Schemes	3.43			
	12.41	Loans for Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes	13.97			
	10.30	Loans for Special Schemes	10.66			

			(Rupe	es in crore)
As on		Liabilities		As on
31.03.2001				31.03.2002
	121 41	Ways and means advances towards	169.70	
	131.41	expenditure, etc.	168.72	
0.10		Contingency Fund		0.10
311.13		Small Savings, Provident Funds, etc.		383.67
163.21		Deposits		230.06
3.55		Reserve Funds		3.67
131.56		Suspense and Miscellaneous		207.71*
321.50		Surplus on Government Account		61.07
	-	(i) Current year surplus		
		(ii) Accumulated Surplus upto	321.50	
	514.89	March 2002		
	193.39	Less Revenue Deficit of the current year	260.43	
1950.11		Total		2077.36
		Assets		
1672.05		Gross Capital Outlay on Fixed Assets		1810.56
	11.59	Investment in Shares on Companies,	11.59	
		Corporation, etc.	11.39	
	1660.46	Other Capital Outlay	1798.97	
212.30		Loans and Advances		235.70
	153.40	Loans for Housing	178.57	
	27.16	Other Loans	28.49	
	31.74	Loans to government servants	28.64	
-		Reserve Fund Investment		
2.06		Advances		2.06
		Suspense and Miscellaneous Balances		
154.33		Remittance Balances		191.29
(-)90.63		Cash Balance		(-)162.25
		Cash in Local Treasuries and Local		
		Remittances		
	(-)91.13	Deposits with Reserve Bank	(-)162.70	
	0.50	Departmental Cash Balance	0.45	
		Permanent Advances		
		Cash Balance Investment		
1950.11		Total		2077.36

1.2.2 While the liabilities in this statement consist mainly of internal borrowings, loans and advances from the Government of India, receipts from the Public Account and Reserve Funds, the assets comprise mainly the capital outlay, loans and advances given by the State Government and the cash balances. It would be seen from above that while the liabilities had grown by 24 per cent, the growth in assets was 7 per cent, which was mainly due to the deficit in the revenue account.

1.3 Sources and application of fund

1.3.1 The position of sources and application of funds during the current and the preceding years is given in the table below:

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^{*} Excludes 'other Accounts' figure

Table 1.2

			GOVID GEG	(110	pees in crore)	
			SOURCES			
2000-2001						
828.22		1.	Revenue receipts		867.79	
12.41		2.	Recoveries of Loans and Advances		15.10	
158.77		3.	Increase in Public debt		172.01	
262.98		4.	Net receipts from Public account		178.71	
	58.22		-Increase in Small Savings	72.54		
	(-) 19.36		-Increase in Deposits and Advances	66.85		
	(-) 1.43		-Increase in Reserve Funds	0.13		
	204.84		-Net effect of Suspense and	76.16		
			Miscellaneous transactions			
	20.71		-Net effect of Remittance transactions	(-)36.97		
		5.	Net effect of Contingency Fund transactions			
		6.	Decrease in closing cash balance		71.62	
1262.38			Total		1305.23	
			APPLICATION			
1021.61		1.	Revenue expenditure		1128.22	
30.60		2.	Lending for development and other purposes		38.50	
163.69		3.	Capital expenditure		138.51	
		4.	Net effect of Contingency Fund transactions			
46.48		5.	Increase in closing cash balance			
1262.38			Total		1305.23	

1.3.2 The main sources of funds include revenue receipts of the Government, recoveries of the loans and advances, public debt and receipts in Public Account. These are applied mainly on revenue and capital expenditure and for developmental purposes. It would be seen that revenue receipts constitute the most significant source of funds for the State Government. While their relative share went up marginally from 65.61 per cent in 2000-2001 to 66.49 per cent during 2001-2002, the share of recoveries of loans and advances went up from 0.98 per cent in 2000-2001 to 1.16 per cent during 2001-2002. The net receipts from the Public Account, however, registered a decrease from 21 per cent in 2000-2001 to 14 per cent in 2001-2002. This was mainly due to decrease in Reserve Bank Suspense – Central Accounts Office from Rs.239.32 crore in 2000-2001 to Rs.196.32 crore in 2001-2002 under suspense and miscellaneous transactions. The receipts from the public debt, however, went up from 12.58 per cent in 2000-2001 to 13.18 per cent during 2001-2002.

1.3.3 The funds were mainly applied for revenue expenditure, whose share went up from 80.93 per cent in 2000-2001 to 86.44 per cent in 2001-2002. Capital expenditure went down from 12.97 per cent to 10.61 per cent while lending for development purposes went up from 2.42 per cent to 2.95 per cent.

1.4 Financial operations of the State Government

1.4.1 Exhibit I (page 21) gives details of receipts and disbursements made by the State Government. Revenue expenditure (Rs.1128.22 crore) during the year exceeded the revenue receipts (Rs.867.79 crore) resulting in revenue deficit of Rs.260.43 crore. Revenue receipts comprise tax revenue (Rs.19.12 crore), non-tax revenue (Rs.44.87 crore), State's share of union taxes and

duties (Rs.43.73 crore) and grants-in-aid from the Central Government (Rs.760.07 crore). The main sources of tax revenue were sales tax (52 per cent), taxes on vehicles (12 per cent), land revenue (6 per cent), State excise (7 per cent) and other taxes (21 per cent). Non-tax revenue came mainly from Power (51 per cent), General Services (11 per cent), Water Supply and Sanitation (8 per cent) and Other Administrative Services (5 per cent).

1.4.2 Capital receipts comprised Rs.15.10 crore from recoveries of loans and advances and Rs.198.26 crore from public debt. Against this, the expenditure was Rs.138.51 crore on capital outlay, Rs.38.50 crore on disbursement of loans and advances and Rs.26.25 crore on repayment of public debt. The receipts in the Public Account amounted to Rs.915.83 crore, against which the disbursements made were Rs.737.12 crore. The net effect of the transactions in the Consolidated Fund, Contingency Fund and Public Account was a decrease in cash balance from Rs.(-)90.63 crore at the beginning of the year to Rs.(-)162.25 crore at the end of the year.

1.4.3 The financial operations of the State Government pertaining to its receipts and expenditure are discussed in the following paragraphs, with reference to the information contained in **Exhibit I** and the time series data for the five years period from 1997-1998 to 2001-2002 detailed in the table below:

Table 1.3
TIME SERIES DATA ON STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCES

(Rupees in crore)

		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Par	t A. Receipts					
I.	Revenue Receipts	679.89	773.08	860.84	828.22	867.79
(i)	Tax Revenue	7.87	9.20	10.73	14.43	19.12
	Agricultural Income Tax					
	Sales Tax	2.51	2.87	3.61	6.06	9.85
	State Excise	0.91	0.90	0.93	0.96	1.36
	Taxes on Vehicles	1.33	1.53	1.83	2.02	2.10
	Stamps and Registration fees	0.06	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.08
	Land Revenue	0.68	1.04	1.26	1.16	1.24
	Taxes on goods and passengers	0.33	0.34	0.39	0.51	0.53
	Other Taxes	2.05	2.43	2.63	3.65	3.96
(ii)	Non Tax Revenue	45.75	36.18	41.35	40.37	44.87
(iii)	State's share of Union Taxes	208.81	316.98	325.04	87.45	43.73
(iv)	Grants-in-aid from GOI	417.46	410.72	483.72	685.97	760.07
2.	Misce. Capital Receipts	-	-	-		
3.	Total Revenue and Non-debt capital receipts (1+2)	679.89	773.08	860.84	828.22	867.79
4.	Recoveries of Loans and Advances	5.66	7.18	9.31	12.41	15.10
5.	Public Debt Receipts	146.23	250.80	341.97	230.82	198.26
	Internal Debt (excluding Ways & Means Advances and Overdrafts)	39.53	75.09	91.84	91.17	74.79
	Net transactions under Ways & Means Advances and Overdraft		64.01		97.73	38.82
	Loans and advances from GOI ^Ψ	106.70	111.70	250.13	41.92	84.65

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 $^{^{\}psi}$ Include Ways and Means Advances from GOI.

28. Gross State Domestic Product 1123.19 1245.90 1370.49 1507.54 1658.29 29. Outstanding Debt (year end) 657 860 1113 1330.19 1574.75 30. Outstanding guarantees(year end) 0.69 0.69 48.83 55.39 89.17 31. Maximum amount guaranteed (year end) NA NA 55.08 106.12 145.61 32. Number of incomplete projects NA 24 17 18 14 33. Capital blocked in incomplete NA 2.11 123.46 3.47 41.00						(Rupe	ees in crore)
Fund (34-4-5)		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
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10. Revenue Expenditure	Par						
Plan			660.67	695.05	891.92	1021.61	1128.22
Non-Plan							
General Services		Non-Plan					
Economic Services 206.42 211.15 261.56 315.74 317.92		General Services					
Social Services							
Grants-in-aid and Contributions							
11. Capital Expenditure							
Plan	11.		165.09	145.74	149.73	163.69	138.51
Non-Plan							
General Services							
Social Services 19.76 28.47 36.92 63.60 56.40					. ,		
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Comparison Com	18.	Public Account Disbursement	458.32	559.32	479.48	585.20	737.12
20. Revenue Deficit (-)/Surplus (+)	19.		1509.31	1529.39	1684.73	1873.15	2068.60
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^{*} Excludes 'other Accounts' figure

1.5 Revenue receipts

1.5.1 Revenue receipts consist mainly of tax and non-tax revenue and receipts from Government of India (GOI). Their relative shares are shown in Figure I. The growth rate of revenue receipts increased by 5 per cent in 2001-2002 over previous year (2000-2001) against 4 per cent decrease in 2000-2001.

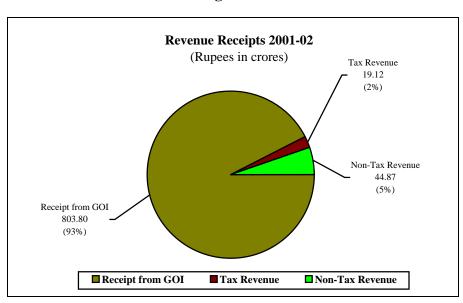


Figure - I

Tax Revenue

1.5.2 In spite of growth of tax revenue from Rs.7.87 crore (1997-1998) to Rs.19.12 crore (2001-2002), the share of tax revenue in revenue receipts stood at 2 *per cent*.

Non-tax Revenue

1.5.3 Non-tax revenue constituted 7 *per cent* of the revenue receipts during 1997-1998 but declined to 5 *per cent* during 1998-1999 to 2001-2002.

State's share of Union taxes and duties and grants-in-aid from the Central Government

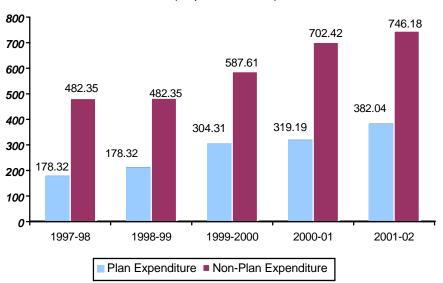
- 1.5.4 When compared to 2000-2001, the State's share of Union taxes (excise duties and income and corporation taxes) decreased by 50 *per cent* while the grants-in-aid from the Central Government increased by 11 *per cent* during the year.
- 1.5.5 The relative share of State share of Union Taxes to revenue receipts decreased from 31 *per cent* in 1997-1998 to 5 *per cent* in 2001-2002 while the grants-in-aid from Government of India increased from 61 *per cent* in 1997-1998 to 88 *per cent* in 2001-2002.

1.6 Revenue expenditure

1.6.1 Revenue expenditure (89 per cent) accounted for most of the expenditure of the State Government and increased by 10 per cent during 2001-2002 over 2000-2001. The share in non-Plan expenditure during 2001-2002 was 66 per cent of revenue expenditure against 34 per cent under plan. The trend analysis showed that growth under non-Plan was faster than on the Plan side as shown in Figure II.

Figure - II

Growth of Plan and Non-plan Revenue Expenditure
(Rupees in Crore)



1.6.2 Sector wise analysis shows that while the expenditure on General Services increased by 81 per cent from Rs.216.53 crore in 1997-1998 to Rs.392.37 crore in 2001-2002, the corresponding increases in expenditure on Social Services and Economic Services were only 76 and 54 per cent respectively. As a proportion of revenue expenditure, the share of General Services increased from 33 per cent in 1997-1998 to 35 per cent in 2001-2002, whereas the shares of Social Services increased from 36 per cent to 37 per cent and Economic Service decreased from 31 per cent to 28 per cent respectively during the same period.

Interest payments

1.6.3 Interest payments increased by 122 *per cent* from Rs.65.79 crore in 1997-1998 to Rs.146.18 crore in 2001-2002. This is further discussed in the section on financial indicators.

Financial assistance to local bodies and other institutions

1.6.4 The quantum of assistance in the form of grants provided to different

local bodies, etc., during the period of four years ending 2001-2002 was as follows:

Table 1.4

				(Rupee	es in crore)
	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-2002
Universities and Educational					
Institutions	12.03	33.12			
District Councils	30.97	NIL	40.98	44.02	50.03
Other institutions	1.88	0.16	0.38	6.65	8.60
Total:	44.88	33.28	41.36	50.67	58.63
Percentage of growth over					
previous year	136	(-) 26	24	23	16
Assistance as a percentage of		` '			
revenue expenditure	7	5	5	5	5

Loans and Advances by the State Government

1.6.5 The Government gives loans and advances to Government companies, local bodies, autonomous bodies, cooperatives, non-Government institutions, etc., for developmental and non-developmental activities. The position for the last five years given below shows that the repayment was very low which resulted in increase of closing balance by 81 per cent during 2001-2002 over 1997-1998.

Table 1.5

(Rupees in crore) 1998-99 1999-2000 1997-98 2000-01 2001-2002 Opening balance 113.28 129.99 161.09 194.11 212.30 Amount advanced during the year 22.37 38.28 42.34 30.60 38.50 Amount repaid during the year 5.66 7.18 9.31 12.41 15.10 Closing balance 129.99 161.09 194.11 212.30 235.70 Net addition 16.71 23.40 31.10 33.03 18.19 Interest received 0.38 0.50 0.70 0.88 1.45

1.7 Capital expenditure

1.7.1 Capital expenditure leads to asset creation. In addition, financial assets arise from moneys invested in institutions or undertakings outside Government, *i.e.* public sector undertakings (PSUs), corporations, *etc.*, and loans and advances. The capital expenditure during the year declined by 15 *per cent* over the previous year (2000-2001). The share of capital expenditure to total expenditure has dropped from 19 *per cent* in 1997-1998 to 11 *per cent* in 2001-2002. Table 1.3 shows that most of the capital expenditure has been on Economic and Social Services and on the Plan side.

1.8 Quality of expenditure

- 1.8.1 Government spends money for different activities ranging from maintenance of law and order and regulatory functions to various developmental activities. Government expenditure is broadly classified into Plan and non-Plan and revenue and capital. While the Plan and capital expenditure are usually associated with asset creation, the non-Plan and revenue expenditure are identified with expenditure on establishment, maintenance and services.
- 1.8.2 Wastage in public expenditure, diversion of funds and funds blocked in incomplete projects would also impinge negatively on the quality of expenditure. Similarly, funds transferred to Deposit heads in the Public Account after booking them as expenditure, can also be considered as a negative factor in judging the quality of expenditure. As the expenditure was not actually incurred in the concerned year it should be excluded from the figures of expenditure for that year. Another possible indicator is the increase in the expenditure on General Services, to the detriment of Economic and Social Services.
- 1.8.3 The following table lists out the trend in these indicators:

Table 1.6

		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-2002
1.	Plan expenditure as a percentage of: - Revenue expenditure - Capital expenditure	27 101	30 78	34 110	31 195	34 104
2.	Capital expenditure (percentage of both Capital and Revenue expenditure)	20	17	14	14	11
3.	Percentage of expenditure on General Services to total expenditure: - Revenue - Capital	33 4	32	33 5	33 4	35 6
4.	Amount of wastage and diversion of funds detected during test audit					
5.	Non-remunerative expenditure on incomplete projects (Rupees in crore)		2.11	123.46	3.47	41.00

1.8.4 The expenditure on General Services had a marginal variation on both the revenue and capital sides during 1997-1998 to 2001-2002. As on 31 March 2002, Rs.41 crore was blocked in 14 incomplete projects.

1.9 Financial Management

1.9.1 The issue of financial management in the Government should relate to efficiency, economy and effectiveness of its revenue and expenditure operations. Subsequent chapters of this report deal extensively with these issues especially as they relate to the expenditure management in the Government, based on the findings of the test audit. Some other parameters, which can be segregated from the accounts and other related financial information of the Government, are discussed in this section.

Implementation of Mizoram Fiscal Reform Programme to improve the financial position of the State

To improve the financial position of the State, an agreement (Memorandum of Understanding –MOU) was signed (8 April 1999) between the Government of Mizoram and the Government of India to implement a mutually agreed reform programme. The programme included measures to revise service charges (water and power), to prepare an action plan for cutting down expenditure and to issue necessary instructions in this regard, to introduce metering system in water supply, to raise water charges by 25 per cent, to revise power tariff and State taxes (viz., Land Revenue, Bazar Fees, Passenger fare and House Tax), to issue Government orders putting complete freeze on filling vacancies, to abolish at least 10 per cent of the total vacant posts and to redeploy staff wherever possible. Pursuant to the Cabinet decision dated 30 September 1999, the State Government had introduced a package of measures to effect economy in Government expenditure viz., imposition of ban on filling up of vacant posts, suspension of leave travel concession facilities (including home town visit), to undertake reforms in power sector, etc. An analysis of the implementation of the MOU and the Cabinet decision (September 1999) is summarised below:

(i) Increasing trend of Revenue Deficit (RD)

1.9.3 In the MOU and as per the Cabinet decision (September 1999), the State Government agreed to bring down RD to the minimum possible extent during 1999-2000 to 2001-2002. But inspite of introducing several measures by the Government in this regard, the RD showed an increasing trend during the said period (*viz.*, RD of Rs.31.08 crore in 1999-2000 as against the revenue surplus of Rs.78.03 crore in 1998-1999, RD of Rs.193.39 crore in 2000-2001 and Rs.260.43 crore in 2001-2002). Thus, it is evident that the State Government failed to contain the RD and the measures introduced by the Government to bring down RD were inadequate.

(ii) Lack of appropriate action for abolishing 10 per cent of the total vacant posts

1.9.4 The MOU stipulated a measure for reduction of total wage bill of the State Government by 1.5 per cent in real terms during 1999-2000. But the Government (Finance Department) stated (October 2002) that as the matter was under examination, the results therefrom could not be quantified at this stage.

(iii) Amendments in the State Electricity Rules

1.9.5 The State Government had to examine the possibility of power generation, distribution and transmission function of the Power and Electricity Department to be carried out by a company to be constituted for the purpose with the help of existing staff. But this proposal was still under active consideration of the Government (October 2002).

(iv) Revenue raising measures

1.9.6 As per MOU, the Government had to revise the rates of land revenue, bazar fees, house tax and passenger fare. Accordingly, the Government by issue of notification revised the rates of land revenue with effect from 22 July 1998, bus fare with effect from 7 September 1999 and hiring charges of State Transport vehicles with effect from 28 August 2002. The position showing the actual realisation of revenue during the years 1999-2000 to 2001-2002 is shown below:

Year	Head of Account	Nature of receipt	Actual receipts (Rs. in crore)	Increase (+)/ Decrease (-) over the previous year's receipt
1999-2000	0029-Land Revenue	(a) Land Revenue (b) House Tax	1.26	(+) 0.22
2000-2001	-do-	-do-	1.16	(-) 0.10
2001-2002	-do-	-do-	1.24	(+) 0.08
1999-2000	1055- Road Transport	(a) Passenger Fare (b) Hire Charges of Vehicles	2.02	(+) 0.21
2000-2001	-do-	-do-	1.93	(-) 0.09
2001-2002	-do-	-do-	1.71	(-) 0.22

1.9.7 It would be seen from the above that the actual collection of land revenue during 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 was less than that for the year 1999-2000. Similarly, collection under the head of account 'Road Transport' showed a declining trend during the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002. Thus it is evident that the fiscal reform measures introduced by the State Government had no positive effect at the ground level as the Government resorted to Ways and Means Advances/overdrafts to meet the deficit on revenue account. As a result, the desired objective could not be achieved.

Investments and returns

1.9.8 Investments are made out of the capital outlay by the Government to promote developmental, manufacturing, marketing and social activities. The sector-wise details of investments made and the number of concerns involved were as under:

Table 1.7

	Sector	Number	Amount invested	
			as on 31.03.2002	during 2001-2002
(1)	Government Companies	2	1.44	Nil
(2)	Cooperative Institutions	423	10.15	Nil
	Total	425	11.59	Nil

1.9.9 The details of investments and the returns realised during the last five years by way of dividend and interest were as follows:

Table 1.8

Year Investment at the end of the year			Percentage of return	Rate of interest on Government borrowing (per cent)
	(Rup	ees in crore)		
1997-19	9.08	0.07	0.77	13.50
1998-19	9.74	0.14	1.44	12.15
1999-20	10.98	Nil	0	12.25
2000-20	001 11.59	Nil	0	12 and 12.52
2001-20	002 11.59	Nil	0	14

1.9.10 Thus, while the Government was raising high cost borrowings from the market, its investments in Government companies, *etc.*, fetched negligible returns during 1997-1998 (0.77 *per cent*) and 1998-1999 (1.44 *per cent*) and no returns during 1999-2000 to 2001-2002.

Incomplete Projects

1.9.11 As of 31 March 2002, there were 14 incomplete projects in which Rs.41 crore were blocked. This showed that the Government was spreading its resources thinly.

Arrears of revenue

1.9.12 The position of arrears of revenue, pending collection as on 31 March 2002 in respect of all the departments had not been furnished by the Government although called for (June 2002). However, as intimated (July, August and September 2002) by the Government, the arrears of revenue, pending collection as on 31 March 2002 in respect of Taxation, Environment & Forest and Land Revenue Departments were 4 per cent (Rs.59.16 lakh), 37 per cent (Rs.60.37 lakh) and 4 per cent (Rs.4.58 lakh) respectively of the total revenue raised by the concerned department during the current year while there were no arrears of revenue in respect of Excise Department as of March 2002.

Ways and means advances and overdraft

1.9.13 Under an agreement with the Reserve Bank of India, the State Government had to maintain with the Bank a minimum daily cash balance of

Rs.0.20 crore. If the balance fell below the agreed minimum on any day, the deficiency had to be made good by taking Ways and Means Advances (WMA)/overdraft (OD) from the Bank. In addition, Special Ways and Means advances are also made by the Bank whenever necessary. Recourse to WMA/OD means a mismatch between the receipts and expenditure of the Government and reflects poorly on the financial management in Government.

1.9.14 The extent to which the Government maintained the minimum balance with the Bank during 1997-1998 to 2001-2002 is given below:

Table 1.9

		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
1.	Number of days on which minimum balance was maintained					
(a)	Without obtaining any advance	103	121	144	300	170
(b)	By obtaining ways and means advance	102	118	165	31	117
2.	Number of days on which overdraft was taken	157	126	57	34	78
3.	Number of days on which there was shortfall from minimum balance after taking ways and means advances and					
	no overdraft was taken	3				

1.9.15 The position of ways and means advances/overdraft taken by the State Government and interest paid thereon during 1997-1998 to 2001-2002 is detailed below:

Table 1.10

(Rupees in crore)

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	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
Ways and Means Advances					
i) Taken during the year	191.16	207.23	263.95	123.77	326.15
ii)Outstanding at the end of the year	14.45	25.00	16.89	28.00	141.24
iii)Interest paid	1.15	0.61	3.85	0.33	0.77
Overdraft					
i) Taken during the year	280.94	317.79	258.00	129.74	140.74
ii)Outstanding at the end of the year	4.52	57.98	9.25	95.87	21.45
iii)Interest paid	0.63	1.18	0.36	0.16	0.33

1.9.16 Cash management by the State Government has deteriorated during 2001-2002 as compared to the previous year. As such, the Government had to resort to Ways and Means Advances and overdrafts totalling Rs.466.89 crore leading to a total interest payment of Rs.1.10 crore.

Deficit

1.9.17 Deficits in Government account represent gaps between the receipts and expenditure. The nature of deficit is an important indicator of the prudence of financial management in the Government. Further, the ways of financing the deficit and the application of the funds raised in this manner are important pointers to the fiscal prudence of the Government. The discussion

in this section relates to three concepts of deficit *viz.*, revenue deficit, fiscal deficit and primary deficit.

1.9.18 Revenue deficit is the excess of revenue expenditure over revenue receipts. Fiscal deficit may be defined as the excess of revenue and capital expenditure (including net loans given) over the revenue receipts (including grants-in-aid received). Primary deficit is fiscal deficit less interest payments. The following table gives a break-up of the deficit in Government account.

Table 1.11

(Rupees in crore)									
CONSOLIDATED FUND (CF) 2001-2002									
Receipt	Amount			Disbursement	Amount				
Revenue	867.79	Revenue deficit	260.43	Revenue	1128.22				
Misc. Capital receipts				Capital	138.51				
Recovery of loans & advances	15.10			Loans & advances disbursement	38.50				
Sub-total Sub-total	882.89	Fiscal Deficit	422.34	Sub-total	1305.23				
Public Debt	198.26			Public debt repayment	26.25				
Total	1081.15	A: Deficit in CF	250.33	Total	1331.48				
	PU	IBLIC ACCOUNT (I	PA) 2001-2	2002					
Small savings, PF etc.	105.59			Small savings, PF etc.	33.05				
Deposits & advances	219.55			Deposits & advances	152.70				
Reserve Funds	4.65			Reserve Funds	4.52				
Suspense & Misc.	249.38			Suspense & Misc.	173.22				
Remittances	336.66			Remittances	373.63				
Total	915.83	B: Surplus in PA	178.71	Total	737.12				
Decrease in cash balance (A-B): Rs.71.62									

1.9.19 The table shows that there was revenue deficit of Rs.260.43 crore and fiscal deficit of Rs.422.34 crore as of 31 March 2002. This fiscal deficit was financed by net proceeds of public debt. The table 1.3 shows that the fiscal deficit has shown increasing trend and when compared to 1999-2000 the fiscal deficit has increased by 98 per cent in 2001-2002.

Application of the borrowed funds (Fiscal Deficit)

1.9.20 Fiscal deficit represents total net borrowing of the Government. These borrowings are applied for meeting the revenue deficit (RD)/revenue surplus (RS), for incurring capital expenditure (CE) and for giving loans to various bodies for development and other purposes. The relative proportions of these applications would indicate the financial prudence of the State Government and also the sustainability of its operations because continued borrowings for revenue expenditure would not be sustainable in the long run. The following table shows the position in respect of Mizoram for the last five years:

Table 1.12

Ratio	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
RS or RD/FD	(-) 0.12	(-) 0.79	0.15	0.52	0.62
CE/FD	1.02	1.47	0.70	0.44	0.33
Net loans/FD	0.10	0.32	0.15	0.04	0.05
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

1.9.21 It would be seen that borrowed funds were applied for meeting revenue expenditure during 2001-2002 thereby increasing the debt burden for maintaining its existing programmes instead of expanding its revenue base.

Guarantees given by the State Government

1.9.22 Guarantees are given by the State Government for due discharge of certain liabilities like repayment of loans, share capital, etc., raised by the statutory corporations, Government companies and cooperative institutions, etc., and payment of interest and dividend by them. They constitute contingent liability of the state. No law under Article 293 of the Constitution had been passed by the State Legislature laying down the maximum limits within which Government may give guarantees on the security of the Consolidated Fund of the State. The outstanding guarantee as on March 2002 was Rs.89.17 crore.

1.10 Public Debt

1.10.1 The Constitution of India provides that a state may borrow within the territory of India, upon the security of Consolidated Fund of the State within such limits, if any, as may from time to time, be fixed by an Act of Legislature of the state. No law had been passed by the State Legislature laying down any such limit. The details of the total liabilities of the State Government as at the end of the last five years are given in the following table.

Table 1.13

Year	Internal debt	Loans and advances from Central Government	Total Public debt	Other liabilities	Total liabilities	Ratio of debt to GSDP
		(Ru	pees in crore	e)		
1997-1998	186.51	293.27	479.78	299.93	779.71	0.69
1998-1999	316.06	323.52	639.58	322.93	962.51	0.74
1999-2000	343.50	516.79	860.29	252.91	1113.20	0.89
2000-2001	525.70	493.36	1019.06	311.13	1330.19	0.99
2001-2002	626.99	564.09	1191.08	383.67	1574.75	1.09

1.10.2 During the five year period, the total liabilities of the Government had grown by 102 per cent. This was on account of 236 per cent growth in internal debt, 92 per cent growth in loans and advances from Government of India and 28 per cent growth in other liabilities.

1.10.3 The amount of funds raised through public debt, the amount of repayment and net funds available are given in the following table:

Table 1.14

(Rupees in crore) 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000 2000-01 2001-02 **Internal Debt** 600 613.80 344.68 541 69 Receipt 512 Repayment (Principal + 624 493 621.80 199.17 520.87 Interest) Net funds available 107 (-)8.00145.51 20.82 (-)112(Per cent) (18)(42)(4)

					(Rupee	es in crore)
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
Lo	ans and advances from GOI					
-	Receipt during the year	107	112	250.13	41.92	84.65
-	Repayment (Principal +	95	109	84.37	96.62	49.62
	Interest)					
-	Net funds available	12	3	165.76	(-)54.70	35.03
	(Per cent)	(11)	(3)	(66)		(41)
Ot	her liabilities					
-	Receipt during the year	179.45	144.32	225.48	229.06	315.67
-	Repayment					
	(Principal + Interest)	109.40	145.59	132.62	223.31	206.16
-	Net funds available	70.05	(-)1.27	92.86	5.75	109.51
	(Per cent)	(39)	(-)0.88	(41)	(3)	(35)

1.10.4 It would be seen that against the entire internal debt received during 2001-2002, 96 per cent was consumed in repayment and very little of the total borrowings were available for investment after meeting the repayment obligations. Considering that the outstanding debt has been increasing year after year, the net availability of funds through public borrowings is going to be reduced further.

1.11 Indicators of the financial performance

1.11.1 A Government may either wish to maintain its existing level of activity or increase its level of activity. For maintaining its current level of activity, it would be necessary to know how far the means of financing are sustainable. Similarly, if Government wishes to increase its level of activity it would be pertinent to examine the flexibility of the means of financing, and finally, Government's increased vulnerability in the process. All the State Governments continue to increase the level of their activity principally through Five Year Plans which translate to annual development plans and are provided for in the state budget. Broadly, it can be stated that non-Plan expenditure represents Government maintaining the existing level of activity, while Plan expenditure entails expansion of activity. Both these activities require resource mobilization increasing Government's vulnerability. In short, financial health of a Government can be described in terms of sustainability, flexibility and vulnerability. These terms are defined as follows:

(i) Sustainability

Sustainability is the degree to which a Government can maintain existing programmes and meet existing creditor requirements without increasing the debt burden.

(ii) Flexibility

Flexibility is the degree to which a Government can increase its financial resources to respond to rising commitments by either expanding its revenues or increasing its debt burden.

(iii) Vulnerability

Vulnerability is the degree to which a Government becomes dependent on and therefore vulnerable to sources of funding outside its control or influence, both domestic and international.

(iv) Transparency

There is also the issue of financial information provided by the Government. This consists of annual financial statement (Budget) and Accounts. As regards the budget, the important parameters are timely presentation indicating the efficiency of budgetary process and accuracy of the estimates. As regards accounts, timeliness in submission, for which milestones exist and completeness of accounts would be the principal criteria.

1.11.2 Information available in Finance Accounts can be used to flesh out Sustainability, Flexibility, and Vulnerability that can be expressed in terms of certain indices/ratios worked out from the Finance Accounts. The list of such indices/ratios is given in **Appendix** – I Part-B. Exhibit II indicates the behaviour of these indices/ratios over the period from 1997-1998 to 2001-2002. The implications of these indices/ratios for the State of the financial health of the State Government are discussed in the following paragraphs.

1.11.3 The behaviour of the indices/ratios is discussed below.

(i) Balance from current revenues (BCR)

BCR is defined as revenue receipts minus Plan assistance grants minus non-Plan revenue expenditure. A positive BCR shows that the State Government has surplus from its revenues for meeting plan expenditure. Exhibit II shows that the State Government had a negative BCR in all the five years, suggesting that Government had to depend only on borrowings for meeting its plan expenditure.

(ii) Interest ratio

The higher the ratio the lesser the ability of the government to service any fresh debt and meet its revenue expenditure from its revenue receipts. In Mizoram, the ratio has increased from 0.10 in 1997-1998 to 0.17 in 2001-2002. A rising interest ratio has adverse implications on sustainability since it points out to the rising interest burden.

(iii) Capital outlay/capital receipts

This ratio would indicate to what extent the capital receipts are applied for capital formation. A ratio of less than one would not be sustainable in the long term in as much as it indicates that a part of the capital receipt is being diverted to unproductive revenue expenditure. On the contrary, a ratio of more than one would indicate that capital investments are being made from revenue surplus as well. The trend analysis of this ratio would throw light on the fiscal performance of the State Government. A rising trend would mean an improvement in the performance. In Mizoram, the ratio declined from 1.27 in 1997-1998 to 0.66 in 2001-2002. The ratio being less than one in

2001-2002 indicated that capital receipts are being diverted partially for unproductive expenditure and not wholly available for investment.

(iv) Total Tax receipts Vs Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP)

Tax receipts consist of State taxes and State's Share of Central taxes. The latter can also be viewed as Central taxes paid by people living in the State. Tax receipts suggest sustainability. But the ratio of tax receipts to GSDP would have implications for the flexibility as well. While a low ratio would imply that Government can tax more, and hence to flexibility, a higher ratio may not only point to the limits of these source of finance but also its inflexibility. Time series analysis shows that in Mizoram this ratio has declined from 0.21 in 1999-2000 to 0.04 in 2001-2002. The ratio of State tax receipts to GSDP has increased from 0.007 in 1998-1999 to 0.012 in 2001-2002, suggesting that the State Government had the option to raise more resources through taxation.

(v) Return on Investment (ROI)

The ROI is the ratio of the earnings to the capital employed. A high ROI suggests sustainability. The table 1.8 presents the return on Government's investments in statutory corporations, Government companies, joint stock companies and co-operative institutions. In Mizoram the ratio has come down to zero during 1999-2002 from 0.014 during 1998-1999 indicating that Government investments were paying no returns.

(vi) Capital repayments vs Capital borrowings

This ratio would indicate the extent to which the capital borrowings are available for investment, after repayment of capital. The lower the ratio, the higher would be the availability of capital for investment. In Mizoram this ratio has decreased from 0.52 in .2000-2001 to 0.20 in 2001-2002 indicating more availability of capital for investment.

(vii) Debt vs Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP)

The GSDP is the total internal resource base of the State Government, which can be used to service debt. An increasing ratio of debt/GSDP would signify a reduction in the Government's ability to meet its debt obligations and therefore, increasing risk for the lender. In Mizoram the ratio has increased from 0.69 in 1997-1998 to 1.09 in 2001-2002, showing greater inability of the Government to meet debt obligations.

(viii) Revenue deficit/Fiscal deficit

The revenue deficit is the excess of revenue expenditure over revenue receipts and represents the revenue expenditure financed by borrowings, *etc*. Evidently, the higher the revenue deficit, the more vulnerable is the State. Since fiscal deficit represents the aggregate of all borrowings, the revenue deficit as a percentage of fiscal deficit would indicate the extent to which the borrowings of the Government are being used to finance non-productive revenue expenditure. Thus higher this ratio, the worse off is the State because

its deficit burden is increasing without adding to the re-payment capacity of the State. The trend analysis showed that the ratio which ranged between (-) 0.12 and (-) 0.79 during 1997-1999 shot up from 0.15 in .1999-2000 to 0.62 in 2001-2002 indicating worsening financial sustainability.

(ix) Primary deficit vs Fiscal deficit

Primary deficit is the fiscal deficit minus interest payments. This means that the lesser the value of the ratio, the lesser the availability of funds for Capital investment. This ratio has increased from 0.56 in 1999-2000 to 0.65 in 2001-2002 indicating more availability of borrowed funds for capital investment than previous year. In 2001-2002, the interest payments accounted for 35 *per cent* of the net borrowed funds, which were not available for capital investment.

(x) Outstanding Guarantees vs Revenue receipts

Outstanding guarantees, including the letters of comfort issued by the Government, indicate the risk exposure of a State Government and should therefore be compared with the ability of the Government to pay *viz.*, its revenue receipts. Thus, the ratio of the total outstanding guarantees to total revenue receipts of the Government would indicate the degree of vulnerability of the State Government. In Mizoram, this ratio has risen in 2001-2002 from 0.07 to 0.10 over 2000-2001, thus indicating greater vulnerability of the Government.

(xi) Assets vs Liabilities

This ratio indicates the solvency of the Government. A ratio of more than 1 would indicate that the State Government is solvent (assets are more than the liabilities) while a ratio of less than 1 would be a contra indicator. This ratio although all along has been more than 1 but has declined from 1.57 (1997-1998) to 1.03 (2001-2002).

(xii) Budget

There was no delay in submission of the budget and its approval.

Chapter II of this Report carries a detailed analysis of variations in the budget estimates and the actual expenditure as also of the quality of budgetary procedure and control over expenditure. It indicates defective budgeting and inadequate control over expenditure, as evidenced by persistent resumption (surrenders) of significant amounts every year *vis-à-vis* the final modified grant. Significant variations (excess/savings) between the final modified grant and actual expenditure were also persistent.

Conclusions

1.11.4 The ratio of primary deficit to fiscal deficit shows that interest payments have been substantial and have also increased as proportion of revenue receipts, as shown by the rising trend of the interest ratio. A negative

BCR, declining capital outlay to capital receipt ratio and ROI had adverse implications for sustainability of the Government.

EXHIBIT – I ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

2000-2001	Receipts 2001-2002			2000-2001	Disbursements	(Rupees	1-2002
2000-2001	111			2000-2001	Disbursements	2001-20	
	Section – A: Revenue					1	
828.22	I. Revenue receipts	10.15	867.79	1021.61	I. Revenue expenditure		1128.22 ⁴
14.43	Tax Revenue	19.12		334.84	General Services-	392.37	
40.37	Non Tax Revenue State's Share of net proceeds	44.87		371.03	Social Services-	417.93	
	of Taxes on income other than corporations			188.13	-Education, Sports, Art and Culture	211.08	
87.45	State's Share of Union Taxes and Duties	43.73		53.85	-Health and Family Welfare	61.70	
181.96	Non-Plan grants	279.50		56.25	-Water Supply, Sanitation, Housing & Urban Development	61.43	
431.73	Grants for State Plan Scheme	396.90		2.90	-Information and Broadcasting	2.98	
66.21	Grants for Central and Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes	75.02		44.02	-Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled tribes and Other Backward Classes	50.03	
6.07	Grants for Special Plan Schemes	8.65		2.20	-Labour and Labour Welfare	2.37	
				21.13	-Social Welfare and Nutrition	25.28	
				2.55	-Others	3.06	
				315.74	Economic ServicesAgriculture and Allied	317.92	
				93.59	-Agriculture and Allied Activities	104.69	
				27.05	-Rural Development	24.10	
				8.76	-Special Areas Programmes	18.22	
				2.90	-Irrigation and Flood Control	3.13	
				101.25	-Energy	80.20	
				20.81	-Industry and Minerals	19.57	
				41.91	-Transport	44.83	
				0.93	-Science, Technology and Environment	1.14	
				18.54	-General Economic Services	22.04	
193.39	II. Revenue deficit carried over to Section B		260.43		II. Revenue surplus carried over to Section B		_
1021.61	Total:		1128.22	1021.61	Total :		1128.
	Section – B						
(-)137.11	III. Opening Cash balance including Permanent Advances and Cash Balance investment		(-) 90.63				
	W. W. B. G. W.			163.69	III.Capital Outlay		138.5
	IV. Miscellaneous Capital receipts			5.98	General Services-	8.93	
	•			63.60	Social Services-	56.40	
				1.73	-Education, Sports, Art and Culture	2.81	
				10.09	-Health and Family Welfare	10.56	
				34.99	-Water Supply, Sanitation	42.71	
				16.56	-Housing and Urban Development		
					-Welfare of Scheduled Castes Scheduled tribes and Other Backward Classes		
					-Social Welfare and Nutrition -Others		
					-Information and		

Revenue and Capital expenditure under Plan and Non-Plan during 2001-2002 is given in Appendix I-A.

						(Kup	ees in cror
000-2001	Receipts	2001	-2002	2000-2001	Disbursements		2001-2002
				94.11	Economic Services-	73.18	
				9.27	-Agriculture and Allied Activities	3.36	
				2.14	-Rural Development	0.05	
				7.73	-Special Areas Programmes	11.91	
				2.54	-Irrigation & Flood Control	4.00	
				39.96	-Energy	19.61	
				1.96	-Industry and Minerals	1.64	
					-Tourism		
				30.51	-Transport	32.61	
12.41	V. Recoveries of Loans and Advances		15.10	30.60	IV. Loans and Advances disbursed		38.5
6.11	-From Housing	8.61		28.00	-For Housing	33.78	
5.79	-From Government Servants	5.93		1.89	-To Government Servants	2.83	
0.51	-From Others	0.56		0.71	-To Others	1.89	
	VI. Revenue surplus brought			100.00	V. Revenue deficit brought		
	down			193.39	down		260.43
230.82	VII. Public Debt Receipts		198.26	72.05	VI. Repayment of Public Debt		26.25
	-External debt				-External debt		
	-Internal debt other than				-Internal debt other than		
91.17	Ways and Means Advances	74.79		6.70	Ways & Means Advances &	12.33	
	& Overdraft				Overdraft		
	-Net transaction under Ways				-Net transaction under Ways		
97.73	and Means Advances	38.82			and Means Advances		
	including Overdraft				including Overdraft		
	-Loans and Advances from				-Repayment of Loans and		
41.92	Central Government	84.65		65.35	Advances to Central	13.92	
	Central Government				Government		
	VIII. Appropriation to				VII. Appropriation to		
	Contingency Fund				Contingency Fund		
	IX. Amount transferred				VIII.Expenditure from		
	to Contingency Fund				Contingency Fund		
040 10	V Dallia Assessed assessing		015.02	585,20	IX. Public Accounts		727 12
848.18	X. Public Account receipts		915.83	383.20	disbursements		737.12
89.48	-Small Savings and	105.59		31.25	-Small Savings and Provident	33.05	
69.46	Provident Fund	103.39			Fund		
2.55	Reserve Funds	4.65		3.98	-Reserve Funds	4.52	
237.93	-Suspense and Miscellaneous	249.38		33.10	-Suspense and Miscellaneous	173.22	
369.32	-Remittance	336.66		348.61	-Remittance	373.63	
148.90	-Deposits and Advances	219.55		168.26	-Deposits and Advances	152.70	
	-			(-) 90.63	X. Cash Balance at end of 31 March 2002		(-)162.25
					-Cash in Treasuries and Local Remittances		
				(-) 91.13	-Deposits with Reserve Bank	(-)162.70	
				`	-Departmental Cash Balance		
				0.50	including Permanent	0.45	
					Advances		
					- Cash Balance Investment		
954.30	Total :		1038.56	954.30	Total :		1038.56

Explanatory Notes

- 1. The abridged accounts in the foregoing statement have to be read with comments and explanations in the Finance Accounts.
- 2. Government accounts being mainly on cash basis, the surplus on government account, as shown in the table in Paragraph 1.2 indicates the position on cash basis, as opposed to accrual basis in commercial accounting. Consequently, items payable or receivable or items like depreciation in stock figure, *etc.*, do not figure in the accounts.
- 3. Suspense and Miscellaneous balances include cheques issued but not paid, payment made on behalf of the State and other pending settlement, *etc*.
- 4. There was a difference in cash balance of Rs.53.42 crore (net credit) between the figure reflected in the accounts ((-) Rs.37.32 crore) and that intimated by the RBI ((-) Rs.90.74 crore) under "Deposit with Reserve Bank". The difference is due to the following factors:-

(Rupees in lakh)

1.	Adjustment in respect of overdraft/shortfall	Dr. 1693.01
2.	Misclassification by the Bank/Treasury	Dr. 9928.73
3.	Non-receipt of details of adjustment made	
	by the RBI	Cr. 6279.81
	Total	<u>Dr. 5341.93</u>

EXHIBIT – II FINANCIAL INDICATORS FOR GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
Sustainability					
BCR (Rupees in lakh)	(-)126.83	(-) 88.63	(-) 191.77	(-) 378.21	(-) 358.96
Primary Deficit (PD) (Rupees in crore)	97	25	120.12	274.01	276.16
Interest Ratio	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.17
Capital outlay/Capital receipts	1.27	0.77	0.63	0.95	0.66
Total tax receipts/GSDP	0.18	0.23	0.21	0.06	0.04
State Tax Receipts/ GSDP	0.0001	0.007	0.007	0.009	0.012
Return on Investment ratio	0.008	0.014	NIL	NIL	Nil
Flexibility					
BCR (Rupees in crore)	(-) 126.83	(-) 88.63	(-) 191.77	(-)378.21	(-) 358.96
Capital repayments/ Capital borrowings	1.04	0.77	0.26	0.52	0.20
State Tax receipts/GSDP	0.0001	0.007	0.007	0.009	0.012
Debt/GSDP	0.69	0.74	0.89	0.99	1.09
Vulnerability					
Revenue Surplus (RS)/ Revenue Deficit (RD) (-) (Rupees in crore)	19.22	78.03	(-) 31.08	(-) 193.39	(-) 260.43
Fiscal Deficit (FD) (Rupees in crore)	162.58	98.81	213.84	375.27	422.34
Primary Deficit (PD) (Rupees in crore)	97	25	120	274.07	276.16
PD/FD	0.60	0.25	0.56	0.73	0.65
RD or RS/FD	(-) 0.12	(-) 0.79	0.15	0.52	0.62
Outstanding Guarantees/ revenue receipts	NA	NA	0.06	0.07	0.10
Assets/Liabilities	1.57	1.57	1.40	1.20	1.03

Note: 1. Fiscal deficit has been calculated as: Revenue expenditure + Capital expenditure + Net loans and advances - Revenue receipts - Non-loan capital receipts.

2. In the ratio Capital outlay *vs.* capital receipts, the denominator has been taken as internal loans + Loans and Advances from Government of India + Net receipts from small savings, PF, *etc.*, + Repayments received from loans advanced by the state government – Loans advanced by State Government.