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1. Introduction

With more than 43 lakh registered Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), Tamil Nadu's MSME sector contributes approximately 30% to the State's industrial output and accounts for about 46% of its total exports. Tamil Nadu is the third-largest MSME ecosystem in India, that accounts for roughly 15% of the nation's total MSMEs. These enterprises generate around 3.20 crore jobs and are a major driver of the State's manufacturing GDP and exports.

The Economic Survey 2025-26 points out that, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector has positioned itself as the backbone of the India’s

- Tamil Nadu's MSMEs contribute about 30% of the State's industrial output and about 46% of its exports - the exports share is the striking one.
- Third-largest **MSME** ecosystem in India, holding roughly 15% of the nation's MSMEs and generating around **3.20 crore** jobs.

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industrial economy, driving over 31.1% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the country, 35.4% of manufacturing output, and over 48.58% of exports in India. With over 7.47 crore enterprises employing over 32.82 crore persons, the sector holds its position as the second-largest employer next to agriculture. Globally, MSMEs make up about 90 percent of businesses and are responsible for over 50 percent of the total global employment. With India's manufacturing sector positioned for greater global integration, MSME sector's role is critical in enabling effective supply-chain participation, fostering local value addition, and supporting inclusive regional growth, the survey has stated.

The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act 2006, was enacted by the Union Government to provide enabling policy environment for promotion

- Economic Survey **2025-26** on India's MSMEs: 31.1% of **GDP**, 35.4% of manufacturing output and 48.58% of exports.
- India has **7.47 crore** MSMEs employing **32.82 crore** people - the second-largest employer after agriculture.
- Globally MSMEs are about 90% of businesses and over 50% of employment - useful framing for an introduction.

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and development of the sector by way of defining MSMEs, putting in place a framework for developing and enhancing competitiveness of the MSME enterprises, ensuring flow of credit to the sector and paving the way for preference in Government procurement to products and services of the MSMEs and address the issue of delayed payments.

The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) are present in all sectors providing key components, developing innovative tech products, consumer goods for everyday use and providing large scale employment. The Government drives formalization, credit access, and market expansion through targeted policy measures and digital ecosystems.

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The following limits are adopted for disbursing subsidies to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs):-

Type of Enterprises	Investment in Plant and Machinery not exceeding	Turnover not exceeding
Micro Enterprises	Rs.1 crore	Rs.5 crore
Small Enterprises	Rs.10 crore	Rs.50 crore
Medium Enterprises	Rs.50 crore	Rs.250 crore

1.1. Udyam Registration

The registration on 'Udyam' portal gives recognition to MSMEs and make them eligible to avail benefits under various incentives including capital subsidy and interest subventions on loans as per MSME policy 2021.

- Udyam registration is the gateway to capital subsidy and interest subvention under the **MSME** Policy **2021**.

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As of 30th June 2026, the category wise distribution of MSMEs under Udyam registration is given below:-

Category	No. of MSMEs	Percentage
Micro	42,97,232	98.83%
Small	46,814	1.08%
Medium	3,936	0.09%
Total	**43,47,982**	**100%**

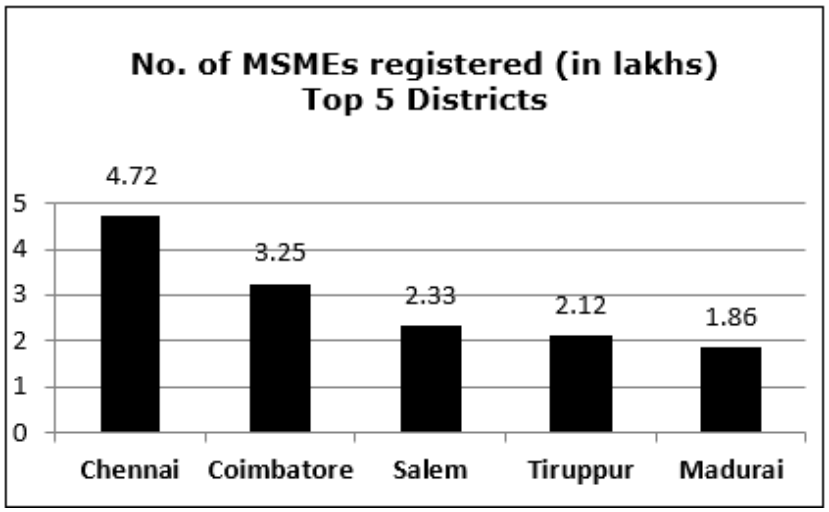
- The Udyam split as on **30.06.2026**: 42,97,232 micro (98.83%), 46,814 small, 3,936 medium - total 43,47,982. Nearly the entire sector is micro.

1.2. Core Industrial Clusters

The State's MSME sector is highly diversified, producing over 6,000 varieties of products. Major manufacturing clusters are concentrated heavily in Chennai, Coimbatore, Tiruppur, and Kancheepuram. With 32% entrepreneurs being women, the sector is an authentication to the State’s inclusive growth and encouraging business environment.

- The State's MSMEs make over 6,000 varieties of products - the diversification argument in one figure.

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The state's aspiring entrepreneurs, its skilled workforce and the progressive policies implemented by the Government of Tamil Nadu attribute to the growth of MSMEs in the State.

The policies/ schemes, implemented by the Government of Tamil Nadu have also helped to sustain the targets under the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), especially to;

SDG 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women

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SDG 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

SDG 9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation.

1.3. Structure of the MSME Department

The organizations under the administrative control of the MSME Department and their key functions are as follows:-

Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce - Core Administration and Policy formulation:

- Facilitates policy-making and implements MSME schemes.

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- Engages with MSMEs via 38 District Industries Centres (DICs).
- Facilitates credit access, resolves delayed payment issues (via MSEFCs).
- Monitors the Single Window Portal, administers Industrial Cooperatives, and promotes formalization, exports and quality upgradation.

Tamil Nadu Small Industries Development Corporation Limited (TANSIDCO) - Infrastructure Development:

- Establishes, maintains and upgrades Industrial Estates, Plug & Play factories, Common Facility Centres (CFCs), Workers' Hostels, and Mega Clusters.

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Tamil Nadu Small Industries Corporation Limited (TANSI) – Manufacturing Products:

- Manufactures and supplies wooden and steel furniture, learning tool kits and other consumables for State Government departments and the open market at affordable prices**.**

Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute (EDII-TN) - Education and Training:

- Promotes entrepreneurship education, self-employment across the State.
- Fosters innovation among school and college students.

Bureau for Facilitating MSMEs of Tamil Nadu (FaMe-TN) - Facilitation and Growth:

- Helps MSMEs access credit, domestic/ international markets, investments, skilling and sustainability initiatives.

Tamil Nadu Startup and Innovation Mission (TANSIM) StartupTN – Promoting Startup Eco system:

- Provides an enabling environment for startups.
- Facilitates financial support for startups and incubators, ensures balanced growth and links startups with mentors.

Tamil Nadu Coir Business Development Corporation (TANCOIR):

- Promotes the coir sector by developing value-added coir products, expanding domestic and international markets and facilitating financial support for coir MSMEs.

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Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEx) - (Agri and Food Processing):

- Encourages export of agricultural products and promotes value-added products like processed foods, beverages and juices.

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2. COMMISSIONERATE OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE

The Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce has played a key role in fostering the growth and development of entrepreneurs across Tamil Nadu by offering a range of schemes, policy formulation and incentives. These initiatives fall into two broad categories:

- Self-employment and entrepreneurship development schemes; and
- Subsidies for establishing and expanding enterprises.

The Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce exercises administrative control over:

- District Industries Centres (DIC)
- Industrial Cooperative Societies
    i. Tamil Nadu Small Tea Growers Industrial Cooperative Tea

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Factories Federation(INDCOSERVE).

ii. Salem Starch and Sago Manufacturers' Service Industrial Cooperative Society (SAGOSERVE).

iii. Tamil Nadu Industrial Cooperative Bank (TAICO Bank).

iv. Irula Snake Catchers' Industrial Cooperative Society.

v. Other Industrial Co-operative Societies (234 Societies).

- Testing Laboratories
  i. Central Electrical Testing Laboratory (CETL).
  ii. 5 Chemical Laboratories.
  iii. The Chennai Industrial Cooperative Analytical Laboratory Ltd. (MICAL)

- Technical Training Institutions
  i. Government Technical Training Institute, Guindy, Chennai.

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ii. Institute of Tool and Die Engineering, Dindigul.

iii. Institute of Ceramic Technology, Virudhachalam.

2.1. District Industries Centres (DICs)

The District Industries Centres (DICs) are in place across all 38 districts of the State, each led by a General Manager. The primary role of a DIC is to support aspiring entrepreneurs by helping them to identify viable projects, prepare project reports and obtain the necessary licenses and clearances through the Tamil Nadu Single Window Portal. Additionally, the DICs coordinate with banking and financial institutions to facilitate access to credit.

- **TNSWP** offers **200**+ services in one interface. **2025-26**: 34,488 **MSME** applications received, 33,975 disposed.

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2.2. Self-employment and Entrepreneurship Schemes

The Commissionerate is implementing various self-employment schemes, viz.,

1. Tamil Nadu Women Entrepreneurs Empowerment Scheme (TWEES)
2. Annal Ambedkar Business Champions Scheme (AABCS)
3. New Entrepreneur-cum-Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS)
4. Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme (UYEGP)
5. Kalaignar Kaivinai Thittam (KKT)
6. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) and
7. Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme.

- **AABCS** is the **SC/ST** entrepreneurship scheme - the only one with no upper ceiling on project cost.
- **KKT** supports artisans in 25 identified traditional trades - minimum age 35, project up to **Rs.3 lakh**, subsidy capped at **Rs.50,000**.

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The first five schemes are fully sponsored by the State Government, while the PMEGP scheme is funded by the Union Government and the PMFME Scheme is funded by both the Union and the State Government in the ratio of 60:40 respectively.

- Funding split of the self-employment schemes: five are wholly State-funded, **PMEGP** is wholly Union-funded, and **PMFME** is shared 60:40 between Union and State.

2.2.1. Tamil Nadu Women Entrepreneurs Empowerment Scheme (TWEES)

With the objective of increasing women's participation in entrepreneurship and economic development, the Tamil Nadu Women Entrepreneurs Empowerment Scheme (TWEES) supports women in starting new enterprises and expanding existing businesses. The scheme encourages women to engage in entrepreneurship, generate employment opportunities and promote inclusive growth across the State.

Key Features:

Eligibility	Details
Target Group	Women entrepreneurs
Age Limit	Above 18 years and below 55 years
Educational Qualification	No minimum qualification prescribed
Eligible Activities	Manufacturing, Service and Trading activities
Project Cost Ceiling	Up to Rs.10 lakh
Promoter Contribution	Minimum 5% of project cost
Subsidy Assistance	25% capital subsidy up to Rs.2 lakh
Special Focus Categories	SC/ST women, Transgenders, Differently-abled persons, Widows/ Destitute widows and women from BPL families

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Scheme for women: age 18-55, no minimum qualification, project up to **Rs.10 lakh**, 25% capital subsidy up to **Rs.2 lakh**.

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Performance during 2025–2026:

- 1,448 women entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.17.92 crore was disbursed.

- **2025-26**: 1,448 women entrepreneu**rs, Rs.17.92 crore** of subsidy.

2.2.2. Annal Ambedkar Business Champions Scheme (AABCS)

To foster entrepreneurship among Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by enabling access to financial assistance for business establishment and expansion, the State Government is implementing Annal Ambedkar Business Champions Scheme (AABCS). The scheme reflects the Government's commitment towards social justice, economic inclusion, and equitable development.

Key Features:

Eligibility	Details
Target Group	SC/ST entrepreneurs
Age Limit	Up to 55 years
Educational Qualification	No minimum qualification prescribed
Eligible Enterprises	New and existing enterprises
Eligible Activities	Manufacturing, Service and Trade sectors
Project Cost Ceiling	No upper ceiling
Capital Subsidy	35% subsidy up to Rs.100 lakh
Interest Subvention	6% interest subvention

- **AABCS** terms: 35% capital subsidy up to **Rs.100 lakh** plus 6% interest subvention. **2025-26**: 1,854 **SC** and 185 **ST** entrepreneu**rs, Rs.147.29 crore**.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 1,854 Scheduled Castes and 185 Scheduled Tribes entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.147.29 crore was disbursed.

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2.2.3. New Entrepreneurs-cum Enterprises Development Scheme (NEEDS)

The New Entrepreneur-cum-Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS) supports first-generation educated youth to become entrepreneurs.

- **NEEDS** targets first-generation educated entrepreneurs: 12th pass or **ITI**/Diploma, project **Rs.10 lakh** to **Rs.5 crore**.

Key features:

Eligibility	Details
Age limit	• 21 to 45 years for General Category • 21 to 55 years for Special Category
Educational Qualification	12th pass/ Vocational training/ ITI/ Diploma
Target group	First-generation entrepreneurs
Eligible Activities	Manufacturing and Service
Project Cost	Rs.10.00 lakh to Rs.5.00 crore
Promoter's	5% for Special

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contribution	category and 10% for General Category
Subsidy	• 25% capital subsidy (Maximum Rs.75 lakh) • 3% interest subvention
10% Additional Subsidy	SC/ST and Differently abled
Reservation	• 50% assigned to women • 19% for SC/ST

Performance during 2025-2026:

- 941 entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy of Rs.95.05 crore was disbursed.

- **NEEDS**: 25% capital subsidy up to **Rs.75 lakh**, 3% interest subvention, 10% extra for **SC**/**ST** and differently-abled. 50% of assistance is reserved for women and 19% for **SC**/**ST**.

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2.2.4. Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme (UYEGP)

The Government of Tamil Nadu is implementing the Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme(UYEGP) to create employment opportunities for educated unemployed youth by providing financial assistance for starting micro business enterprises.

- **UYEGP** is the only scheme confined to trading activity: 8th standard pass, project up to **Rs.15 lakh**, family income under **Rs.8 lakh**.

Key Features:

Eligibility	Details
Target Group	Educated unemployed youth
Age Limit	18–45 years (General Category) and 18–55 years (Special Category)
Educational Qualification	Minimum 8th Standard pass
Eligible Activities	Trading activities only
Project Cost Ceiling	Up to Rs.15 lakh

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Promoter Contribution	10% for General Category and 5% for Special Category
Subsidy Assistance	25% subsidy up to Rs.3.75 lakh
Family Annual Income	Less than Rs.8 lakh

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 2,708 entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.40.82 crore was disbursed.

2.2.5. Kalaignar Kaivinai Thittam (KKT)

The Kalaignar Kaivinai Thittam (KKT) is the State intervention to help traditional artisans by providing financial assistance, subsidy support, skill training and technical assistance. The main objective of the scheme is to promote 25 categories of traditional trades, improve the socio-economic status of

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artisans and create sustainable self-employment opportunities.

Key Features:

Eligibility	Details
Target group	Artisans of 25 identified trades
Age Limit	Minimum 35 Years
Project Cost Ceiling	Upto Rs.3 lakh
Subsidy Assistance	25% of the project cost (maximum subsidy limit of Rs.50,000/-)
Interest subsidy	2% for loans obtained through TAICO Bank and 5% for other banks.

Performance during 2025-2026:

- 10,349 artisans benefited under the scheme
- Subsidy amount of Rs.35.40 crore was disbursed.

- **KKT** reached the largest number of beneficiaries of any **MSME** scheme in **2025-26**: 10,349 artisans, **Rs.35.40 crore**.

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2.2.6. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)

The Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) is a credit-linked subsidy programme of the Government of India implemented through District Industries Centres. The scheme facilitates establishment of micro enterprises in manufacturing and service sectors.

- **PMEGP** is wholly Union-funded and delivered through District Industries Centres. Subsidy is higher in rural areas: General 15% urban / 25% rural, Special 25% / 35%.

Key Features:

Eligibility	Details
Age Limit	Minimum 18 years
Educational Qualification	No educational qualification required for the projects less than Rs.5 lakh under Service category and Rs.10 lakh under Manufacturing category. Minimum 8th standard pass is essential for projects beyond the above limits.

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Eligible Activities	Manufacturing and Service sectors		
Project Cost Ceiling	Service Sector – Up to Rs.20 lakh and Manufacturing Sector – Up to Rs.50 lakh		
Promoter Contribution	10% for General Category and 5% for Special Category		
Subsidy Pattern	**Category**	**Urban**	**Rural**
	General Category	15%	25%
	Special Category	25%	35%

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 4,639 entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.111.89 crore was disbursed.

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2.2.7. Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme

The Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme launched by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India, to support the formalization and upgradation of micro food processing enterprises. The scheme provides credit-linked capital subsidy, capacity building, branding, marketing support and common infrastructure assistance to individual entrepreneurs, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Farmers Producer Organisations (FPOs) and cooperatives. The funding pattern is 60:40 (Centre: State).

- **PMFME** is the only 60:40 shared scheme here. Credit-linked subsidy 35% up to **Rs.10 lakh** per unit; seed capital **Rs.40,000** per **SHG** member.

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Components of the Scheme:

Component	Eligibility	Subsidy
Credit linked subsidy	Individuals / Proprietorship / Partnership/ FPOs/ Cooperatives/ SHGs/ Pvt. Ltd.	35% of the eligible project cost - maximum of Rs.10 lakhs per unit
Common Infrastructure	FPOs/ FPCs/ Cooperatives/ SHG and its federation/ Govt. Agencies - established or propose to establish food processing line along with common infrastructure/ Value chain/ incubation centres.	35% of the eligible project cost with a maximum of Rs.3 crore.
Seed capital	Members of SHG for working capital and purchase of small tools. This grant is released by the State Nodal Agency	Rs.40,000/- per SHG Member

- **PMFME** common infrastructure component: 35% of project cost up to **Rs.3 crore** for FPOs, cooperatives and **SHG** federations.

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Component	Eligibility	Subsidy
	(SNA) to the Federation of SHGs based on the recommendation of the State Rural Livelihood Mission (SRLM) / State Urban Livelihood Mission (SULM).	
Branding and Marketing	FPOs/ SHGs/ Cooperatives or a SPV of micro food processing enterprises to promote their existing or proposed brands	Upto 50% of the project cost.
Mini Tri food	Units established under the Van Dhan Vikas Kendra (VDVK) Scheme	2 VDVK units formed as one cluster is provided with a grant of Rs.10 lakh.
Capacity building	Envisages to provide training on Food Processing Entrepreneurship Development Programme to the PMFME beneficiaries.	

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Performance during 2025–2026:

- 3,965 entrepreneurs benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.129.14 crore was disbursed.

2.3. Subsidies for MSMEs

The Government of Tamil Nadu offers a comprehensive framework of financial incentives to new and existing Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). These incentives are designed to enhance operational efficiency, improve competitiveness, and promote inclusive industrial growth.

2.3.1. Capital Subsidy

The Government of Tamil Nadu has structured a multi-tiered capital subsidy framework designed to support

manufacturing enterprises at various lifecycle stages, geographical locations and demographic segments. These subsidies directly target investment in eligible plant and machinery.

Type of Capital Subsidy	Eligibility	Benefits
Capital Subsidy for Micro Manu-facturing Enterprises	• New Micro manufacturing enterprises set up anywhere in the State • Existing Micro Manufacturing Enterprises which have taken up substantial expansion / diversification, subject to conditions.	25% subsidy on the value of eligible plant and machinery, maximum Rs.25 lakh
Additional Capital Subsidy for Micro Manu-	• New micro manufacturing enterprises set up anywhere in the State	10% on the investment made in plant and machinery

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facturing Enterprises	• Existing Micro Manufacturing Enterprises which have taken up substantial expansion/ diversification, subject to conditions.	value, maximum Rs.10 lakh, over a period of 5 years in 5 installments
Capital Subsidy for Small and Medium Manu-facturing Enterprises	• New Small and Medium Manufacturing Enterprises set up in 254 industrially backward blocks and industrial estates • Small and Medium Agro-based and Food Processing Enterprises set up in any of the 388 blocks in the State • Existing enterprises	25% subsidy on the value of eligible plant and machinery, maximum Rs.150 lakh

- The geography of capital subsidy: micro units qualify anywhere in the State, but small and medium units only in 254 industrially backward blocks and industrial estates - except agro and food processing, eligible in all 388 blocks.

Capital subsidy ceilings: micro **Rs.25 lakh**, small and medium **Rs.150 lakh**, thrust sector **Rs.150 lakh**.

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	from the above category which have taken up substantial expansion/ diversification, subject to conditions.	
Additional Capital Subsidy for Select Category of Entre-preneurs	• Enterprises set up by Women/ Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes / Differently Abled Persons / Transgenders Entrepreneurs under the following categories: • All New Micro Manufacturing enterprises set up anywhere in the State. • New Small and Medium Manufacturing Enterprises set up in 254 industrially	5% on the value of eligible plant and machinery, maximum Rs.5 lakh

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	backward blocks and industrial estates. ● Small and Medium Agro-based and Food Processing Enterprises set up in any of the 388 blocks of the State.	
Additional Capital Subsidy for Promotion of Cleaner and Environment Friendly Technologies	● New micro manufacturing enterprises set up anywhere in the State ● New Small and Medium Manufacturing Enterprises set up in 254 industrially backward blocks and industrial estates ● Small and Medium Agro-based and Food	25% on the value of eligible plant and machinery/ equipment installed to promote cleaner and environment-friendly techno-logies, maximum Rs.10 lakh

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	Processing Enterprises set up in any of the 388 blocks of the State. ● Existing enterprises from the above category which have taken up substantial expansion / diversification, subject to conditions.	
Additional Capital Subsidy for Scaling Up	● All existing Micro and Small Manufacturing Enterprises, when they scale to higher category (from Micro to Small/ Medium or from Small to Medium) by undertaking expansion / diversification.	5% Additional capital subsidy, maximum Rs.25 lakh.

- A distinct 5% subsidy up to **Rs.25** lakh paid only when an enterprise graduates - micro to small, or small to medium. This is the policy answer to the missing middle.

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Special Capital Subsidy for Thrust Sector Enterprises	• All new Micro, Small and Medium Manufacturing Enterprises and existing enterprises which are taking up substantial expansion/ diversification under the thrust sectors* located anywhere in the State, subject to conditions.	25% on eligible plant and machinery value, maximum Rs.150 lakh.

*list of activities eligible to avail special capital subsidy under thrust sector category

1. Electrical and electronic Industries
2. Leather and leather goods
3. Auto parts and components
4. Drugs, Pharmaceuticals and Nutraceuticals
5. Solar energy equipment

- 27 thrust sectors qualify for the special capital subsidy - from leather and auto parts to Industry 4.0, biotechnology, aerospace and e-waste processing.

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6. Gold and diamond jewellery for exports
7. Pollution control equipment
8. Sports goods and accessories
9. Cost effective building material
10. Readymade garments
11. Food processing
12. Plastic (except 'one-time use' and throwaway plastics)
13. Rubber products
14. Alternate products to 'one time use and throwaway plastics'
15. Electric Vehicle Components, Charging Infrastructure and Components
16. Medical Devices, Equipment and Components
17. Technical Textiles and Medical Textiles

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18. Aero Space, Defence Applications and Components
19. Electronic System Design and Manufacturing
20. Bio Technology
21. Petro Chemicals and Speciality Chemicals
22. Industry 4.0
23. Electronic Waste Processing
24. Traditional Industries
25. Home Textiles
26. Sustainable products
27. Polypropylene Drum

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 2,401 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.320 crore was disbursed.

- Capital subsidy is the largest single outgo: **Rs.320 crore** to 2,401 enterprises in **2025-26**.

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2.3.2. Payroll Subsidy

Payroll subsidy is designed to encourage formal employment in MSMEs and the integration of differently-abled individuals into the workforce.

Eligibility:

- New Micro Manufacturing units (anywhere in the State).
- New Small/Medium manufacturing units in Backward Areas/ Industrial Estates (excluding those within a 50 km radius of Chennai city centre).
- Small/Medium Agro-based and Food Processing units in any of the 388 blocks.
- Any new MSME (Manufacturing or Service) employing more than 25% of its workforce as differently-abled persons.

Benefits:

- **Standard Workforce:** Reimbursement of Employer's EPF contribution for the first 3 years from the date of commercial production, provided the unit employees more than 20 persons, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.24,000 per employee per annum.
- **Differently-Abled Workforce:** Reimbursement of Employer's EPF contribution for the first 3 years from the month of EPF enrollment if the workforce comprises more than 25% differently-abled individuals, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.24,000 per differently-abled employee per annum.

- Payroll subsidy reimburses the employer's **EPF** contribution for three years, up to **Rs.24,000** per employee a year - and covers any **MSME** where over 25% of the workforce is differently-abled.

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Performance during 2025–2026:

- 101 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.2.02 crore was disbursed.

2.3.3. Low Tension Power Tariff (LTPT) Subsidy

The primary purpose of the Low Tension Power Tariff (LTPT) Subsidy is to directly lower the ongoing operational and manufacturing overheads of Micro Manufacturing Enterprises both for new enterprises as well as existing enterprises taking up substantial expansion during their critical initial years (for the first 36 months) of business.

Benefit:

- Reimbursement of 20% of power charges paid to TANGEDCO, for the

- **LTPT** subsidy: 20% of **TANGEDCO** power charges reimbursed for the first 36 months of commercial production.

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first 36 months from the date of commencement of commercial production.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 580 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.4.38 crore was disbursed.

2.3.4. Back-Ended Interest Subsidy (BEIS)

The Government of Tamil Nadu implements targeted financial assistance and policy interventions to ease working capital constraints and facilitate technology upgradation for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs). These measures are strategically designed to enhance liquidity, mitigate operational strains and promote

technological upgradation and modernization across the life cycle of the enterprise.

Back-Ended Interest Subsidy under CGTMSE:

5% interest subsidy for a period of 5 years on term loans up to Rs.200 lakh, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.20 lakh.

Back-Ended Interest Subsidy under Technology Upgradation Fund (TUF):

5% interest subsidy for a period of 5 years on term loans up to Rs.500 lakh, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.25 lakh.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 760 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.

- Back-Ended Interest Subsidy: 5% for five years - on term loans up to **Rs.200 lakh** under **CGTMSE**, and up to **Rs.500 lakh** under the Technology Upgradation Fund.

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- Subsidy amount of Rs.11.21 crore was disbursed.

2.3.5. Promotion of Energy Audit and Conservation of Energy (PEACE)

To Incentive MSMEs to adopt sustainable, energy-efficient operations, subsidies are extended to MSMEs under PEACE Scheme. This scheme aligns directly with the following SDG targets:

SDG 7.3: By 2030, double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency; and

SDG 7.a: By 2030, enhance international cooperation to facilitate access to clean energy research and technology, including renewable energy, energy efficiency and advanced and cleaner fossil-fuel technology, and promote investment in energy infrastructure and clean energy technology.

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Energy Audit:

75% subsidy on the cost of taking up energy audit, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.1 lakh.

- **PEACE** scheme: 75% of energy audit cost up to **Rs.1 lakh**, then 50% of the cost of acting on the audit up to **Rs.10 lakh**. Explicitly mapped to **SDG** 7.3 and 7.a.

Implementation:

50% subsidy on technology acquisition, machinery modification/ alteration or equipment replacement for energy conservation as recommended in the energy audit report, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.10 lakh.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 313 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.3.91 crore was disbursed.

2.3.6. Quality Certification (Q-CERT) Subsidy

Supports compliance with national and international quality standards and improves the competitiveness both in domestic and international markets.

Fresh Certifications:

100% reimbursement of certification and consulting charges.

- National Certifications: Max Rs.2 lakh per enterprise.
- International Certifications: Max Rs.10 lakh per enterprise.

Renewals:

25% reimbursement of the renewal fee for international quality certifications, subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.1 lakh.

- Q-**CERT** reimburses quality certification fully - **Rs.2 lakh** for national, **Rs.10 lakh** for international certifications.

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Performance during 2025–2026:

- 155 entrepreneurs have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.3 crore was disbursed.

2.3.7. Stamp Duty & Registration:

50% subsidy on the actual value of Stamp Duty and Registration charges incurred while registering land for industrial purpose for Micro and Small Manufacturing Enterprises.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 7 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.16.56 lakh was disbursed.

2.3.8. Subsidy for assets creation for Intellectual Property (IPR):

- Patents: A direct grant of Rs.1 lakh upon submission of proof of patent registration, or 75% subsidy on patent application filing costs, up to a maximum of Rs.3 lakh per patent.
- Trademarks & Geographical Indications (GI): 50% subsidy on the filing application cost, up to a maximum of Rs.25,000 per registered Trademark or GI.

- **IPR** support: **Rs.1 lakh** on proof of patent registration, or 75% of filing cost up to **Rs.3 lakh**; 50% up to **Rs.25,000** for a trademark or **GI**.

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 4 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.1.19 lakh was disbursed.

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2.3.9. Scheme for fund raising through SME Exchange:

This scheme seeks to significantly reduce the entry barriers and high upfront costs of Small and Medium Enterprises for listing their shares in SME Exchange.

- Benefit: 75% financial subsidy calculated directly on the total eligible expenditure incurred by the enterprise during the entire public listing and Initial Public Offering (IPO) process.
- Eligibility: Small and Medium Enterprises registering and listing shares on the SME Exchange.
- Ceiling: This one-time assistance is subject to a maximum financial ceiling of Rs.30 lakh per successful enterprise listing.

- 75% of the cost of an **IPO** on the **SME** Exchange is subsidised, capped at **Rs.30 lakh** - the State paying for a small firm to reach the capital market.

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Performance during 2025–2026:

- 5 enterprises have benefitted under the scheme.
- Subsidy amount of Rs.1.5 crore was disbursed.

2.4. Micro Cluster Development Programme:

To promote the growth of Micro and Small Enterprises the 'Micro Cluster Development Programme (MCDP)' has been implemented across various sectors throughout the State. The primary objective of this scheme is to ensure sustainable livelihoods for socially and economically backward people, as well as to create employment opportunities in rural areas. It is being executed through the Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce and the Tamil Nadu Small

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Industries Development Corporation (TANSIDCO).

Under the Micro Cluster Development Programme, project proposals for 55 micro clusters have been approved so far, with a total project value of Rs.272.10 crore, including State Government grant of Rs.212.79 crore. Based on these approvals, 17 micro clusters have commenced their operations and are currently functioning successfully. Twelve micro cluster projects have been dropped due to lack of interest shown by the Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV) and the remaining micro clusters are currently in various stages of implementation. These remaining Clusters will commence operations within a year.

- Micro Cluster Development Programme: 55 clusters approved worth **Rs.272.10 crore** with a State grant of **Rs.212.79** crore; 17 are operating and 12 were dropped for want of **SPV** interest.

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The details of the cluster are given below:

A. Micro Clusters in Operation:

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Imple-menting Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
1.	Modern Photo graphy Cluster, Chengal pattu	Photography Service	TANSIDCO	6.30	4.73
2.	Aluminium Die Casting Cluster, Coimbatore	Engineering components	TANSIDCO	5.73	4.30
3.	Pollachi Coir Cluster, Coimbatore	Coir	ICDIC	8.80	6.60
4.	Cashew Processing Cluster, Cuddalore	Food Processing	ICDIC	2.16	1.81
5.	Women Multi Food Products Cluster, Kanniya kumari	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	6.65	5.99
6.	Web-Offset Printing Cluster, Madurai	Service	TANSIDCO	6.53	4.89
7.	Food Processing Cluster, Namakkal	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	8.20	6.56

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Imple-menting Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
8.	Ramanatha -puram Jewellery Federation, Ramanatha -puram	Ornament Manufacturing	ICDIC	6.71	6.08
9.	Kondalam patti Silk Yarn Cluster, Salem	Textile	TANSIDCO	7.32	5.49
10.	Embroidery Stitching Cluster, Tenkasi	Garment Service	ICDIC	1.15	1.04
11.	Peravurani Coir Cluster, Thanjavur	Coir	ICDIC	7.29	5.84
12.	Art Silk Fabric Cluster, Theni	Textile manufacturing	TANSIDCO	5.24	3.67
13.	Kovilpatti Visually Impaired Micro Industries Cluster Society, Thoothukudi	Cleanser manufacturing	ICDIC	0.59	0.59

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Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Imple-menting Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
14.	Salt Cluster, Thoothukudi	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	4.26	3.84
15.	Honey Extraction Facility Cluster, Vellore	Food Processing	ICDIC	1.04	0.94
16.	Modern Printing Cluster, Villupuram	Printing	TANSIDCO	6.70	5.04
17.	Women Weaving Cluster, Virudhu -nagar	Handlooms	TANSIDCO	3.77	3.39
TOTAL				**88.44**	**70.8**

B. Micro Clusters Under Implementation

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Implem enting Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
1.	Silver Articrafts Cluster, Chennai	Ornament Manu facturing	TANSIDCO	2.45	1.69
2.	Virudha -chalam Ceramic Cluster, Cuddalore	Manu -facturing	TANSIDCO	2.42	2.00

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Implementing Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
3.	Turmeric Processing Cluster, Erode	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	7.39	5.54
4.	Kanchee-puram Narikuravar Immitation Passimani Beads Cluster Society, Kanchee -puram	Plastic Beads Ornament Manu -facturing	ICDIC	2.45	2.45
5.	Amarawati Paper Board Cluster, Karur	Manu -facturing	ICDIC	7.03	5.29
6.	Vilachery Toys Cluster, Madurai	Manu -facturing	ICDIC	4.03	3.63
7.	Women Garment Cluster, Madurai	Garment	TANSIDCO	3.91	3.52
8.	Wood Carving Cluster, Madurai	Craft	TANSIDCO	5.39	4.85
9.	Thammam patty Wood Carving Cluster, Salem	Craft	ICDIC	9.72	9.09
10.	Udumalpet Coir Cluster, Thiruppur	Coir	ICDIC	6.92	6.23

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Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Implementing Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
11.	Vembar Karuppatti and Palm Products Micro Cluster, Thoothukudi	Food Processing	ICDIC	5.29	5.03
12.	Kovilpatti Kadalai mittai Manu facturing Micro Cluster, Thoothukudi	Food Processing	ICDIC	7.13	6.42
13.	Siragugal Aayatha Aadai Urpathiyalar Mini Cluster, Virudhu -nagar	Garment	TANSIDCO	0.34	0.25
14.	Cashew Nut Processing Cluster, Ariyalur	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	2.48	1.70
15.	Metrology and Metallurgical Laboratory Cluster, Chennai	Testing and Training Facility	ICDIC	5.69	4.00
16.	Western Ghats Coir Cluster, Virudhu -nagar	Coir	ICDIC	7.19	5.40

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Implementing Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
17.	Perundurai Wider Width Airjet Weaving Cluster, Erode	Engineering components	TANSIDCO	7.20	5.06
18.	Integrated Appalam Cluster, Madurai	Food Processing	ICDIC	6.83	4.65
19.	Paramakudi Electrical Engineering Cluster, Ramanatha -puram	Powerline components	ICDIC	10.00	6.04
20.	Green Cardamom Cluster, Theni	Food Processing	ICDIC	3.99	2.79
21.	KIEMA Tech Centre, Tiruvallur	Testing and Training Facility	ICDIC	2.62	1.97
22.	Musiri Korai Mat Cluster, Tiruchirappalli	Handicraft	TANSIDCO	3.00	1.99
23.	Western Ghats Coffee Cluster, Dindigul	Food Processing	TANSIDCO	6.55	4.58
24.	Namakkal Poultry Farmer's Marketing Society Laboratories, Namakkal	Testing and Training Facility	ICDIC	5.85	4.68

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Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Sector	Implementing Agency	Total project cost (Rs. in crore)	Govt. grant (Rs. in crore)
25.	Thoothukudi Ahaya thamarai Cluster, Thoothukudi	Handicraft	ICDIC	2.02	2.02
26.	Micro nutrient & Bio stimulant Cluster, Salem	Fertilizer Manu -facturing	ICDIC	7.13	5.35
			TOTAL	**135.02**	**106.22**

2.5. Other Important Initiatives

2.5.1. Tamil Nadu Single Window Portal (TNSWP)

The Tamil Nadu Single Window Portal serves as a unified digital platform for obtaining approvals, licenses and clearances from multiple Government departments through a single interface. The portal significantly improves investor facilitation and enhances Ease of Doing Business in Tamil Nadu.

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Key Highlights:

- Provides access to 200+ services
- Integrated with 40+ Government Departments/Agencies
- Ensures time-bound processing of approvals
- Simplifies investor interactions through a digital single-window ecosystem

Performance during 2025–2026:

- 34,488 applications were received from MSMEs.
- 33,975 applications were disposed through the portal.

2.5.2. Annual Credit Plan

The Government of Tamil Nadu sets annual credit targets for MSMEs under the Annual Credit Plan. During the financial year

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2025–26, against the Annual Credit Plan target of Rs.3.10 lakh crore, a credit flow of Rs.3.31 lakh crore was achieved, which is 106.67% of the target.

- Annual Credit Plan **2025-26**: target **Rs.3.10 lakh** crore, achievement **Rs.3.31 lakh** crore - 106.67%.

2.5.3. Credit Mentors

In order to facilitate access to credit under the Self-Employment Schemes for MSMEs, Credit Mentors have been appointed in each district. The Credit Mentors assist entrepreneurs in accessing hassle-free credit facilities from banks and other financial institutions. During 2025–26, under the supervision of the General Managers of the District Industries Centres, the Credit Mentors facilitated financial assistance in the form of loans amounting to Rs.1,709.04 crore to 28,746 MSMEs.

- A Credit Mentor in every district, under the **DIC** General Manager, arranged **Rs.1,709.04 crore** of loans for 28,746 MSMEs.

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2.5.4. Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Councils (MSEFCs):

The Government is committed to ensure timely payments to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and strengthening the grievance redressal mechanism available under the provisions of the MSMED Act, 2006. To address and resolve issues relating to delayed payments for goods supplied and services rendered by Micro and Small Enterprises and to facilitate quicker disposal of petitions, six regional Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Councils (MSEFCs) are functioning at Chennai, Vellore, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Thoothukudi and Coimbatore.

- Six MSEFCs (Chennai, Vellore, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Thoothukudi, Coimbatore) hear delayed-payment cases under the **MSMED Act, 2006**.

During the year 2025-26, 102 MSEFCs sittings were conducted, resolving 620 cases and facilitating the recovery of Rs.121.03 crore to Micro and Small enterprises.

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2.5.5. Tamil Nadu Trade Receivables Discounting System (TN-TReDS):

Delay in payments is one of the biggest issues currently being faced by MSME vendors. Such delay locks up or blocks the working capital of MSMEs. To address this issue and expedite the process of receiving payment for their goods and services supplied to Tamil Nadu Government controlled entities, TN-TReDS, an ERP for discounting trade receivables integrated with TReDS was developed and launched.

As on 31.05.2026, 99 Public Sector Enterprises have been onboarded on the platform along with their 2220 MSME vendors and invoices of 1581 MSMEs, to the tune of Rs.6265.59 crore have been discounted.

- **TN**-TReDS discounts **MSME** invoices on State entities. As on **31.05.2026**: 99 PSEs, 2,220 **MSME** vendo**rs, Rs.6,265.59** crore of invoices discounted.

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2.5.6. Tamil Nadu Credit Guarantee Scheme (TNCGS)

To improve access to formalised credit for Micro and Small Enterprises, the Tamil Nadu Credit Guarantee Scheme (TNCGS) was launched. The scheme, while operating with the extent Credit Guarantee Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) of the Government of India, provides 90% guarantee coverage for collateral free loans up to Rs.40 lakh and up to 80% for loans above Rs.40 lakh and upto Rs.2 crore. TNCGS also provides Standalone guarantee coverage of 90% for loans upto Rs.40 lakh to manufacturing enterprises.

In 2025-26, under the TNCGS scheme, guarantees were extended for loans amounting to Rs.8,199.26 crore in collaboration with CGTMSE. The scheme has benefitted over 43,000 MSEs including over

- **TNCGS**: 90% guarantee on collateral-free loans up to **Rs.40** lakh, up to 80% above that to **Rs.2 crore**. **2025-26** covered **Rs.8,199.26 crore**, benefiting over 43,000 MSEs.

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13,000 women, 2,000 SC/ STs and 61 differently abled entrepreneurs.

2.5.7. Tamil Nadu Industry Database

In order to create a comprehensive and reliable Industrial Information Database for the State, the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department has developed the Tamil Nadu Industrial Database Mobile Application (TN Thozhil Tharavu Thalam) in coordination with NIC. The application facilitates collection, updation and validation of industrial unit information through mobile-based OTP authentication and geo-location capture. The database will serve as a vital repository of industrial information and assist the Government in formulating focused policies, strengthening industrial outreach and delivering need-based support services to MSMEs.

- The Tamil Nadu Industrial Database app, built with **NIC**, has consolidated 46,01,603 industrial unit records with **OTP** authentication and geo-location.

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As part of the development of the Tamil Nadu Industrial Database, a total of 46,01,603 mapped and unmapped industrial unit records have been consolidated and integrated into the platform from various data sources. The database is being continuously enriched through field-level updation and verification by the District Industries Centres and Entrepreneurs. The platform facilitates identification and validation of industrial units and supports the creation of a robust Industrial Information Ecosystem, thereby enabling evidence-based policy formulation, targeted interventions and improved service delivery for the growth of the MSME sector in Tamil Nadu.

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2.5.8. Investment Promotion

For the promotion of investment in MSME sector, MSME Department participated in the Tamil Nadu Global Investors Meet conducted in January 2024 and during the meet 5,068 Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) have been signed in the MSME sector for an investment of Rs.63,573.11 crore with an expectation to create about two lakh and fifty thousand jobs across the State. As per the MoUs executed, Micro Enterprises have committed investments amounting to Rs.2,152 crore, while Small Enterprises and Medium Enterprises have committed investments of Rs.38,811 crore and Rs.22,609 crore respectively. The three sectors attracting the highest investment commitments are Agro and Food Processing, Textile Manufacturing, and Auto Components Manufacturing.

- Global Investors Meet January **2024**: 5,068 **MSME** MoUs worth **Rs.63,573.11 crore**, expected to create about **2.5 lakh** jobs. 2,921 had started production by **31.05.2026**.
- The three sectors drawing the highest **MSME** investment commitments.

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Out of the 5,068 MoUs signed, 2,921 MoUs have commenced their production as on 31.05.2026 with an investment of Rs.30,330.36 crore, creating an employment of 1,21,863 persons.

2.6. Industrial Cooperatives

Industrial Cooperative Societies are started under the Department of Industries and Commerce with the objective of providing continuous employment, sustainable income and to develop the economic condition and standard of living of the members who are rural artisans, skilled and semi-skilled workers and labourers. As on date, there are 257 Industrial Cooperative Societies functioning

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which are into multifarious trades as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Trade	No. of Societies
1.	Banking	1
2.	Sago	2
3.	Labour Contract Service	26
4.	Tea	18
5.	Printing	30
6.	Coir	60
7.	Auto & Taxi	13
8.	Engineering	14
9.	Tailoring	10
10.	Polythene	6
11.	Match	6
12.	Handicrafts	14
13.	Metal	6
14.	Brick	4
15.	Industrial Estates	11
16.	Irula Snake Catchers ICS	2
17.	Others	34
Total		**257**

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A sales turnover of Rs.955.40 crore was achieved by the Industrial Cooperative Societies during the year 2025-26. Out of 257 Industrial Cooperative Societies, 184 societies earned a profit to the tune of Rs.52.57 crore as on 31.03.2026.

2.6.1. INDCOSERVE

The Tamil Nadu Small Tea Growers Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories Federation (INDCOSERVE) was established in 1965 in the Nilgiris district. It is the largest tea cooperative in India. The federation comprises 16 Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories with 23,822 members. INDCOSERVE sold 2,295 Metric Tonnes of Tea through Public Distribution System (PDS) outlets across Tamil Nadu, worth Rs.53.52 crore and earned a profit of Rs.7.45 crore.

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The major activities undertaken by INDCOSERVE are as follows:

- 15 Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories in the Nilgiris District have been modernised at a total cost of Rs.67.74 crore with the financial assistance of NABARD under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund.
- During 2025–26, the 16 Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories procured 39,407 Metric Tonnes of green tea leaves from their members and produced 10,653 Metric Tonnes of Tea and achieved sales worth Rs.105.32 crore.
- The Nilgiris Tea Auction Centre sold 8,109 Metric Tonnes of tea through electronic auction for Rs.7.75 crore and earned a profit of Rs.39.15 lakh during 2025-26.

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- Quality Tea is being sold across various districts through 25 Mobile INDCO Tea Vandis thereby improving the livelihood of tribal people in hill areas.
- 17 INDCO Tea Houses are functioning across Tamil Nadu in Government Institutions, Government Hospitals, and other public places. Various INDCO tea products, Liquid tea and snacks are being sold through these outlets. These outlets have increased public awareness about the quality Tea products.
- INDCOSERVE provides storage facilities at warehouses located in Coonoor, Coimbatore, and Kochi for tea produced by Industrial Co-operative Tea Factories and TANTEA. Through these facilities, INDCOSERVE earned revenue of Rs.82.01 lakh during 2025–26.

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- Agricultural Equipments worth Rs.3.25 crore were distributed to Small Tea Grower Members of INDCO Tea Factories.
- Skill Development Training was provided to 20 employees of Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories in other Tea Factories which are located in other States at a cost of Rs.10 lakh.
- To encourage members who supplied additional Green Tea Leaves, cash Incentive Assistance of Rs.25,000/- each, totalling Rs.4 lakh was provided to 16 members of 16 Industrial Cooperative Tea Factories Ltd.

2.6.2. SAGOSERVE

The Salem Starch and Sago Manufacturers Service Industrial Cooperative Society Ltd., Salem (SAGOSERVE) was established in 1981 with the objective of

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facilitating fair price for its members produce by eliminating middlemen and protecting the interest of tapioca farmers. Further, it provides warehousing facilities and financial assistance to its members. This is the only Cooperative society in the entire country for sago manufacturers.

Initiatives of SAGOSERVE:

- To protect and promote the unique qualities of Sago and to increase the sale and ensure recognition, Geographical Indication (GI) was obtained for sago in the name of "SALEM SAGO (JAVVARISI)".
- To prevent adulteration and to improve the quality of sago production, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was executed with Central Tuber Crops Research Institute, Thiruvananthapuram.

- Developed a "Standard Operating Procedure" (SOP) at a cost of Rs.32.76 lakh for Good Manufacturing Practices and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) and registered a new Trademark in the name of "Chemical - Free Sago" to ensure brand reputation and to promote the sale of its members produce.
- To ensure the quality of Sago and to meet FSSAI-NABL Integrated standard, expanded its essential testing parameters from 11 to 17 by upgrading its Laboratory at a cost of Rs.2.60 crore.
- For easy access of Sago products to the consumers and to increase the sale, 200 gm retail packets are launched through Direct Sales Point.
- SAGOSERVE is in the process of developing a direct-to-farm Mobile

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Application. By connecting Sago Manufacturers directly with Tapioca Growers, will lead to elimination of intermediaries and protect farmers from exploitation.

- During February 2026, SAGOSERVE exported 500 Kg of GI Tagged Salem Sago to Canada with the assistance of Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Government of India.
- During March 2026, bagged a Purchase Order for an export of 500 Kg of Trade-marked Chemical Free Sago in the Buyer-Seller Meet organized by Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEx) and exported to USA.

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Sales Achieved:

During 2025-26, SAGOSERVE received 1.34 lakh Metric Tonnes of Sago and Starch, achieved a sales turnover of Rs.396.15 crore and earned a net profit of Rs.2.81 crore.

2.6.3. Tamil Nadu Industrial Cooperative Bank (TAICO Bank)

The Tamil Nadu Industrial Cooperative Bank Limited (TAICO Bank) was established on 13.09.1961. The Bank commenced its banking operations in November 1962. The primary objective of the Bank is to accelerate the growth of Industrial Cooperatives in the State by providing timely financial assistance. To cater to evolving market demands, the Bank has expanded its credit portfolio to include diverse loan products for individuals and MSMEs.

The Bank caters to a customer base of over 1.2 lakh accounts through a network of

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48 branches across Tamil Nadu with RBI Licence. In line with modern banking standards, TAICO Bank has successfully implemented Core Banking Solutions (CBS) to deliver upgraded digital facilities including RTGS, NEFT, IMPS, and Mobile Banking services to its clientele.

Following a strategic repurposing initiative, the Bank formulated targeted loan products to aggressively support the MSME Sector. Under these revamped schemes, the Bank has sanctioned loans worth Rs.161.75 crore to 4,394 MSME units during the year 2025-26. Notably, this includes the sanction of Collateral-Free credit amounting to Rs.73.56 crore to 4,210 artisan beneficiaries through Kalaignar Kaivinai Thittam.

During the financial year 2025-26, the Bank demonstrated stable growth across key financial parameters i.e., reduction of NPA

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from 8.91% as on 31.03.2022 to 5.80% as on 31.03.2026 and constantly earning profit for the past 10 years. The Bank successfully mobilised deposits to the tune of Rs.1,108.17 crore and extended loans and advances worth Rs.712.66 crore and earned a net profit of Rs.4.91 crore during 2025-26.

2.6.4. Irula Snake Catchers' Industrial Cooperative Societies

I. Irula Snake Catchers' Industrial Cooperative Society Ltd, Chengalpattu

This society was established in the year 1979. Functioning with the primary objective of creating sustainable livelihood opportunities for members of the Irula community engaged in snake-catching activities, the Society currently comprises 329 members. The Society undertakes the collection of snake venom through scientific extraction methods and supplies the same to

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research institutions and pharmaceutical laboratories to produce anti-venom and related research purposes. Through its activities, the Society plays a significant role in generating continuous employment and enhancing the socio-economic well-being of its members.

Considering the hardships faced by the members in trapping snakes, the snake-trapping charges have been increased considerably with effect from 2024. Consequent to this and considering the rise in operational costs, the selling price of snake venom has also been increased from February 2025. As a result, during the financial year 2025–26, the Society sold 338.950 grams of snake venom and realized a revenue of Rs.2.42 crore.

To strengthen the social security framework of its members, the Society has created a Corpus Fund of Rs.1.50 crore from

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its own resources. Under this initiative, financial assistance up to Rs.20 lakh is provided to the family of a member in the event of death caused by an accident or snake bite.

II. Tiruvannamalai District Irula Snake Catchers Livelihood Industrial Cooperative Society

The Tiruvannamalai District Irula Snake Catchers Industrial Cooperative Society, established in the year 2018, is currently functioning with 181 members. The primary objective of this Society is to uplift the socio-economic and livelihood conditions of the Irula tribal communities.

During the financial year 2025–26, the Society generated a sales revenue of Rs.35.04 lakh by supplying 62.726 grams of snake venom to pharmaceutical manufacturing companies.

2.7. Testing Laboratories

2.7.1. Central Electrical Testing Laboratory (CETL), Kakkalur

The Central Electrical Testing Laboratory (CETL), Kakkalur, Thiruvallur District functions as a premier testing laboratory. This laboratory is testing the electrical products and appliances such as switches, Lamps, Food-mixer, water Heaters etc., as per Indian Standards.

The National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL), a body under the Quality Council of India, has accredited this laboratory. Additionally, the lab has earned recognition from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), which operates under the Union Government's Ministry of Consumer Affairs.

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During the financial year 2025-26, the laboratory tested 1,782 samples and generated a revenue of Rs.1.16 crore.

2.7.2. Chemical Laboratories

Chemical testing laboratories under the Department of Industries and Commerce are functioning at 5 locations viz. Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore, Salem and Thoothukudi. These laboratories provide testing facilities for testing of raw materials and manufactured goods for MSMEs, private customers and Government Departments such as Public Works Department, Railways and Corporations. Modernized equipment such as Optical Emission Spectrometers, Atomic Absorption Spectrometer in these laboratories are used to test the chemical composition of metals with high precision and accuracy. The Laboratory is equipped with new Geo Technical equipment and other

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related equipment for testing construction materials like Cement, Water, Aggregates, Soil, Brick, Concrete Cubes, Steel rods etc and for testing Bitumen, Soap, Detergent, Oils etc.,

During the year 2025-26, 1,10,474 samples have been tested and a revenue of Rs.4.14 crore has been generated by these laboratories.

2.7.3. The Chennai Industrial Co-operative Analytical Laboratory Ltd. (MICAL)

The Chennai Industrial Cooperative Analytical Laboratory Ltd., Chennai, (MICAL) commenced its operations on 05.12.1964. At present, 325 Pharmaceutical manufacturers are the members of the society.

The main objective of the society is to undertake the analysis of raw materials and finished products of its members and certify

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whether they confirm to the standards prescribed under the Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP), British Pharmacopoeia (BP), United States Pharmacopoeia (USP), Drugs and Cosmetics Act, etc., as applicable. The tests conducted by MICAL include Chemical, Microbiological, and Instrumental Analysis.

The society has a branch at Coonoor, which tests Tea produced by INDCO Tea Factories and other tea factories. Tea samples are tested as per PFA norms.

The laboratory was renovated with new infrastructure with the loan assistance of Rs.43.07 lakh obtained from the Cooperative Research and Development Fund (CRDF) in the year 2024-25.

2.8. Technical Training Institutions

The following Technical Training Institutions are functioning under the administrative control of the

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Commissionerate and are affiliated to the Directorate of Technical Education viz.,

1. The Institute of Ceramic Technology, Virudhachalam - offers a 3½ years Diploma Course in Ceramic Technology.
2. The Government Technical Training Centre, Guindy, which offers
    - 3 years diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Tool and Die)
    - 3 years diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Refrigeration and Air conditioning).
3. The Institute of Tool Engineering, Dindigul, which offers 3 years Diploma in Mechanical Engineering (Tool and Die).

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2.9. Tamil Nadu Coir Business Development Corporation (TANCOIR)

The Tamil Nadu Coir Business Development Corporation (TANCOIR) was established in the year 2022, with the objective of driving inclusive and sustainable growth in Tamil Nadu's coir sector. Through targeted strategic initiatives and schemes, TANCOIR focuses on accelerating value-addition and enhancing manufacturing quality and overall development of coir MSMEs.

2.9.1. Tamil Nadu Coir Policy 2024

The "Tamil Nadu Coir Policy" was released on 04.01.2024, to promote coir enterprises, encourage value addition in coir products, and strengthen the growth of coir industry in Tamil Nadu.

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The following are the major components of the policy:

- Mandated Government procurement and market promotion.
- Infrastructure buildout and Industrial park commitments.
- Subsidies, grants and financial support schemes.
- R & D, standards and academic collaborations.
- Capacity building and training.

2.9.2. The Flagship initiatives of TANCOIR

- A state-of-the-art Coir Products Testing Laboratory is being established at Coimbatore, at a project cost of Rs 4.00 crore to ensure the quality and

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competitiveness of coir products manufactured in Tamil Nadu.

- A Coir Export Facilitation Centre has been established at Pollachi, Coimbatore District on 01.09.2025, at a cost of Rs.1.5 crore.
- A Nudge Unit for new coir product development has been approved under the TANII scheme for the year 2024-25 at a project cost of Rs.9.86 crore.

2.9.3. Coir Promotion

S. No.	Core Appli-cation	Mate-rial Type	Quantity Distri-buted	Finan-cial Outlay (Rs. in crore)	Scope of Area
1.	Rural Infra structure & Water Conser-vation	Coir Geo-textiles	1.06 lakh sq. m.	0.58	Sub-grade strengthening for rural roads and bunds stabilization across 43 ponds rejuvenation projects.

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S. No.	Core Application	Material Type	Quantity Distributed	Financial Outlay (Rs. in crore)	Scope of Area
2.	Mining Sector Rehabilitation	Coir Geo-textiles	5.98 lakh sq. m.	3.59	Distributed via 17 procurement orders for mine stabilization initiatives.
3.	Highway Slope Stabilization	Coir Geo-textiles	2.02 lakh sq. m.	1.12	Reinforcement of highway embankment slopes across Tamil Nadu and other States.
4.	Religious & Heritage Tourism Pathways	Coir Mattings	25,000 sq. m.	0.78	Upgrading and developing pilgrim pathways across 57 temples in the State.
5	Dam Infrastructure & Erosion Control	Coir Geo-textiles	49,000 sq. m.	0.83	Embankment slope strengthening and erosion control at the Manjalar Dam, Theni District.

2.9.4. Market Integration and Access for Coir MSMEs

- TANCOIR organized six domestic and one international buyer-seller meets generating business opportunities worth Rs.3.06 crore.

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- For enhancing market reach, TANCOIR has facilitated 766 business orders worth Rs.37.87 crore in both domestic and international markets.

2.9.5. Development of Coir Clusters

- TANCOIR has initiated the establishment of one each at six dedicated coir clusters at Kundadam, K.Paramathy, Peravurani, Udumalaipet, Pollachi, and Watrap at a total project cost of Rs.51.08 crore, with Government subsidy of Rs.37.81 crore.
- The K.Paramathy Coir Cluster has been fully operational since February 2026 and Kundadam Coir Cluster is expected to commence its operation shortly.

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2.9.6. Specialized Subsidy Schemes for Coir MSMEs

- To improve product quality, prevent adulteration, and mitigate environmental pollution, a dedicated 25% subsidy scheme was introduced to fund the setup of concrete drying yards, greenhouse dryers, mechanical dryers and Effluent Treatment Plants (ETPs) and is implemented through the District Industries Centres.
- 25% subsidy is being provided on the testing expenses incurred by Coir exporters for exporting their products.

2.9.7. Key Promotional & Capacity-Building Initiatives

- **Market Exposure:** TANCOIR has facilitated the participation of 26 MSMEs across 8 domestic expos,

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generating cumulative sales revenue of Rs.1.57 crore.

- **Capacity Building:** Fulfilling the core mandates of the Tamil Nadu Coir Policy 2024, TANCOIR conducted 64 specialized training sessions and workshops, benefiting a total of 1,304 coir MSMEs.

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3. TAMIL NADU SMALL INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED (TANSIDCO)

The Government of Tamil Nadu established Tamil Nadu Small Industries Development Corporation Limited (TANSIDCO) in the year 1970 as a Public Limited Company with the specific objective to promote the development and sustainable growth of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Tamil Nadu.

3.1. Activities of TANSIDCO:

- Establishment, maintenance and upgradation of Industrial Estates.
- Assistance to establish Private Industrial Estates.
- Establishment and maintenance of Plug & Play Flatted Factory modules.

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- Establishment of Common Facility Centre's (CFCs) under Cluster Development Programme of Micro and Small Enterprises - Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) of Union Government and the Micro Cluster Development Programme (MCDP) of Government of Tamil Nadu.
- Establishment of Workers' Hostels.
- Establishment of Mega Clusters.
- Establishment of Co-Working Spaces.

These infrastructure development initiatives of TANSIDCO aim at promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization.

3.2. Industrial Estates

Establishment of Industrial Estates across the State to meet the land requirements of MSME entrepreneurs is one

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of the key activities of TANSIDCO. By providing lands across the State including in backward areas, TANSIDCO aids in the balanced regional industrial development of Tamil Nadu. At present, TANSIDCO maintains 141 Industrial Estates spread over 9089.32 acres with 16,248 industrial plots / sheds. The details of 141 Industrial Estates are given in Annexure-1. In the financial year 2025-26, TANSIDCO achieved total sales of Rs.141.72 crore from the sale of Industrial plots and made a profit of Rs.27.83 crore.

3.2.1. Establishment of New Industrial Estates

TANSIDCO is committed to develop new Industrial Estates with quality infrastructure for a balanced industrial ecosystem across the State. Presently, 18 New Industrial Estates are under development in

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16 Districts with a total extent of 631.18 acres. The details of these Industrial Estates are as under:

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Industrial Estate	Extent (in acres)
1.	Chengalpattu	Mullikolathur	27.90
2.	Kancheepuram	Thirumudivakkam	7.47
3.	Villupuram	Nayanur	29.50
4.		E-Mandagapattu	3.49
5.		Saram	45.57
6.	Thiruvannamalai	Enthal	37.00
7.	Kallakurichi	Senthanadu	50.00
8.	Cuddalore	Lalpuram (Imitation Jewellery)	5.00
9.	Tiruchirappalli	Sooriyur	30.00
10.	Thanjavur	Naduvur	72.00
11.	Pudukottai	Kothakottai	55.00
12.	Karur	Nagampalli	51.33
13.	Dindigul	Ellapatti	15.00
14.	Madurai	Karuthapuliyam patti	26.84
15.	Sivaganga	Mangulam	10.00
16.	Ramanathapuram	Thanichiyam	50.00
17.	Tirunelveli	Narasinganallur	85.37
18.	Thoothukudi	Sankaraperi	29.71
		Total:	**631.18**

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3.2.2. Development of Women Industrial Estates

TANSIDCO has established Women Industrial Estates to encourage exclusively women entrepreneurs. In 5 Districts, Women Industrial Estates were established at the following locations:

Sl. No.	District	Name of Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	No. of Developed Plots	No. of Allotted Plots	No. of Industrial Units function -ing
1.	Tiruvallur	Thirumullai voyal	246.07	789	789	772
2.	Kanchi -puram	Thirumudi -vakkam	11.48	73	73	73
3.	Salem	Karuppur	51.24	154	154	154
4.	Thiruchi-rapalli	Valavanthan -kottai	51.70	105	95	86
5.	Madurai	Kappalur	35.37	104	104	102
Total			**395.86**	**1225**	**1215**	**1187**

These Industrial Estates provide an opportunity to women entrepreneurs to start an enterprise and become economically independent. This is an effort on the part of TANSIDCO to empower women and promote gender equality.

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3.2.3. Development of Sector Specific Industrial Parks

To enhance sector specific industrial productivity, TANSIDCO has established 6 Sector Specific Industrial Park in 5 Districts, as detailed below:

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Estate /Park	Type/ Sector	Extent (in Acres)	No. of Developed Plots
1.	Dharmapuri	Integrated Food Park, Echambadi	Food	50.46	112
2.	Chengal-pattu	Pharma Park, Alathur	Pharma	150.49	166
3.	Chengal-pattu	Kadambadi Industrial Estate	Sculpture	21.07	65
4.	Villupuram	Pharma Park, Tindivanam	Pharma	111.47	48
5.	Tiruvarur	Vandam-palai Industrial Estate	Agricultural	18.71	11
6.	Erode	Perundurai Industrial Estate Phase–II	Agricultural	16.38	51
		Total		**368.58**	**453**

These Industrial Parks attract sector specific investments, generate employment and promote balanced regional development.

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3.2.4. Upgradation of existing Industrial Estates

Upgradation of infrastructure facilities like road, storm water drain etc., were taken up in 18 Industrial Estates at a total cost of Rs.34.07 crore, utilising TANSIDCO fund. So far, works have been completed in the following 11 Industrial Estates at a cost of Rs.21.87 crore.

Sl. No.	District	Name of Industrial Estate	Total Cost (Rs. in crore)
1.	Dharmapuri	Dharmapuri	1.08
2.	Perambalur	Elambalur	0.39
3.	Tenkasi	Kadayanallur	0.95
4.	Tiruvallur	Thirumazhisai	5.90
5.	Kanyakumari	Marthandam	0.95
6.	Pudukkottai	Pudukkottai (SIPCOT)	2.53
7.	Nagapattinam	Nagapattinam	1.55
8.	Namakkal	Namakkal	1.17
9.	Ranipet	Arakkonam	0.40
10.	Salem	Mettur	1.50
11.	Madurai	Kappalur	5.45
		Total	**21.87**

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Infrastructure Upgradation works are under progress in following 7 Industrial Estates at a cost of Rs.12.20 crore.

Sl. No.	District	Name of Industrial Estate	Total Cost (Rs. in crore)
1.	Tiruppur	Gudimangalam	0.50
2.	The Nilgiris	Ooty	0.80
3.	Krishnagiri	Krishnagiri	1.00
4.	Mayiladuthurai	Mayiladuthurai	1.20
5.	Coimbatore	Kurichi	2.35
6.	Thoothukudi	Kovilpatti	2.50
7.	Tirunelveli	Pettai	3.85
		Total	**12.20**

3.2.5. Creation of New Industrial Estate under MSE-CDP Scheme - Infrastructure Development (ID Project)

Under the Micro & Small Enterprises – Cluster Development Programme(MSE-CDP), TANSIDCO has created 25 Industrial Estates at a total project cost of Rs.118.36 crore.

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The details of the Industrial Estates are as under:-

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI (Rs. in crore)	GoTN (Rs. in crore)
1.	Madurai	Urangan-patti	70.10	4.44	1.52	2.92
2.	Kanchee-puram	Thirumudi vakkam	201.11	5.60	2.00	3.60
3.	Thiruvallur	Thirumullai voyal	246.07	4.75	1.90	2.85
4.	Thiruvallur	Vichoor	59.16	2.00	0.70	1.30
5.	Tiruchira -ppalli	Vazhavan thankottai	165.72	6.15	2.00	4.15
6.	Salem	Karuppur	51.24	2.13	0.64	1.49
7.	Villupuram	Asanur	107.80	3.95	2.37	1.58
8.	Ranipet	Arakonam	51.74	2.20	1.32	0.88
9.	Dharmapuri	Kadagathur	7.02	0.44	0.24	0.20
10.	Perambalur	Elambalur	44.48	1.46	0.87	0.59
11.	Krishnagiri	Pollupalli	60.96	4.11	2.47	1.64
12.	Tirupathur	Vaniyam-badi	7.08	0.57	0.34	0.23
13.	Sivaganga	Karaikudi	180.19	3.55	2.13	1.42
14.	Virudhunagar	Virudhu-nagar (urban)	37.54	3.19	1.91	1.28
15.	Pudukkottai	Mathur	19.92	2.35	1.41	0.94
16.	Thanjavur	Palayapatti	104.37	4.99	2.99	2.00
17.	Cuddalore	Periya-nesalur	90.797	12.19	5.19	7.00
18.	Thoothukudi	Pidaneri	108.23	8.05	2.69	5.36
19.	Theni	Marikundu	47.48	8.50	3.70	4.80
20.	Krishnagiri	Uthangarai	41.282	4.96	2.58	2.38
21.	Tenkasi	Kurukkal -patti	37.40	6.50	3.43	3.07
22.	Thiruvanna malai	Periya-kolapadi	57.181	6.48	5.18	1.30
23.	Chengalpattu	Alathur Ph-II	70.34	7.17	4.30	2.87
24.	Pudukottai	Alangudi	36.47	6.74	4.04	2.69
25.	Namakkal	Rasam palayam	36.80	5.9	3.54	2.36
Total			**1940.48**	**118.36**	**59.46**	**58.90**

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3.2.6. Upgradation of existing Industrial Estates under MSE-CDP Scheme - Infrastructure Development (ID Project)

Under the Micro and Small Enterprises - Cluster Development Programme(MSE-CDP), TANSIDCO has upgraded the infrastructure of 23 Industrial Estates at a total project cost of Rs.73.45 crore. The details of the same are as under:

Sl. No.	District	Name of Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI Grant (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	Allottee Share (Rs. in crore)
1.	Krishnagiri	Hosur	12.34	0.57	0.24	0.24	0.09
2.	Coimbatore	Kurichi	88.43	1.52	0.61	0.61	0.30
3.	Madurai	Kappalur	535.64	1.88	0.75	0.75	0.38
4.	Virudhu -nagar	Virudhu -nagar	45.65	0.35	0.14	0.14	0.07
5.	Ranipet	Mukunda-rayapuram	86.19	1.33	0.54	0.53	0.27
6.	The Nilgiris	Ooty	10.65	0.14	0.06	0.06	0.02
7.	Chengal pattu	Alathur (Pharma)	150.00	4.45	2.67	1.33	0.45
8.	Thiruvallur	Kakkalur	328.13	4.23	2.54	1.27	0.42
9.	Thoothu kudi	Kovilpatti	85.54	2.02	1.21	0.61	0.20
10.	Karur	Athur	36.29	3.97	2.38	1.19	0.40
11.	Tiruppur	Ganapathi palayam	17.10	0.46	0.27	0.14	0.05
12.	Salem	Mettur	184.38	2.94	1.76	0.88	0.29
13.	Coimbatore	Malumi-chamPatti	36.14	2.00	1.13	0.57	0.30
14.	Tiruchira-ppalli	Tiru-verambur	74.50	4.32	2.27	2.05	0.00

Sl. No.	District	Name of Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI Grant (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	Allottee Share (Rs. in crore)
15.	Madurai	K.Pudur	56.05	5.20	2.20	2.48	0.52
16.	Thanjavur	Nanji-kottai	26.30	2.85	1.05	1.52	0.28
17.	Erode	Nanjai-uthukuli	13.05	2.30	0.94	1.13	0.23
18.	Dindigul	Dindigul	39.91	4.05	1.92	1.72	0.41
19.	Ranipet	Ranipet	113.44	9.55	3.43	5.17	0.96
20.	Krishnagiri	Hosur (New)	24.41	4.00	1.39	2.21	0.40
21.	Chennai	Ambattur	1167.00	9.97	4.65	4.32	1.00
22.	Kanya kumari	Konam	20.70	1.43	0.86	0.43	0.14
23.	Virudhu-nagar	Virudhu-nagar	45.65	3.92	2.35	1.17	0.39
		Total	**3197.49**	**73.45**	**35.36**	**30.52**	**7.57**

Further, the following upgradation project is underway:

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI Grant (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	Allottee Share (Rs. in crore)
1.	Madurai	Urangan-patti	70.10	9.55	5.73	2.87	0.95

3.2.7. Development of New Private Industrial Estates

For the development of Private Industrial Estates, TANSIDCO supports MSME Associations who come forward to establish Private Industrial Estates with a

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grant of 50% of the total project value not exceeding Rs.15 crore. During 2023-24, the minimum land area requirement for the same was reduced from 50 acres to 10 acres to assist more beneficiaries.

The following private Industrial Estates have been developed:-

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contribution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Coimbatore	CODISSIA Industrial Park, Mopri palayam	225.00	24.32	10.00	14.32
2.	Coimbatore	CODISSIA Industrial Park, Kalla palayam	116.24	20.00	10.00	10.00
3.	Coimbatore	Arignar Anna Co-operative Industrial Estate Limited, Kittam palayam	316.04	24.61	12.307	12.307
		Total	**657.28**	**68.93**	**32.307**	**36.627**

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The development of following private Industrial Estates is currently in progress:

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contribution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Madurai	M/s. Madurai Engineering Cluster Pvt. Ltd., Melavalavu	54.00	13.64	6.82	6.82
2.	Coimbatore	M/s. COSIEMA Industrial Park Pvt Ltd., Solavam palayam	42.42	18.06	9.03	9.03
		Total	**96.42**	**31.70**	**15.85**	**15.85**

3.2.8. Development of New Private Industrial Estates to shift Industrial units to the outskirts of the city

A special incentive scheme is under implementation for group of industrial units willing to relocate their establishments from urban areas and to the outskirts of towns / cities and establish New Industrial Estates with infrastructure facilities such as roads,

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water supply, electricity, conference halls and other common facilities. The incentive is provided at 75% of the total development cost of the Industrial Estate, excluding land cost, subject to a maximum limit of Rs.20 crore.

During 2023-24, the minimum land requirement was reduced from 10 acres to 2 acres in view of the increase in land cost and difficulty in identifying contiguous parcels of land.

Shifting of the Private Industrial Estates has been facilitated as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Private Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contribution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Namakkal	Namakkal Truck Body Building Cluster, Vella Kavundam patti	52.23	13.67	12.67	1.00
2.	Coimbatore	Tea Park Cluster, Mettu palayam	13.45	6.00	4.50	1.50

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Sl. No.	District	Name of the Private Industrial Estate	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contribution (Rs. in crore)
3.	Cuddalore	East Coast Automobile Services, Maruthadu	11.57	4.39	3.30	1.09
		Total	**77.25**	**24.06**	**20.47**	**3.59**

3.3. Plug and Play Flatted Factory Complexes

Plug and Play Flatted Factory Complexes provide MSMEs with readymade infrastructure for manufacturing and assembly activities. These complexes cater to a wide variety of MSMEs across Tamil Nadu.

The following Flatted Factory Complexes were established by TANSIDCO:-

Sl. No.	Name of Industrial Estate	No. of Floors	No. of Modules	Built up Area in Sq. ft.	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)
1.	Guindy, Chennai District	Basement, Stilt + 6 Floors	152	2,01,972	94.67
2.	Ambattur, Chennai District	Stilt + 4 Floors	112	1,31,427	63.95

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3.	Ariya Goundam patti Village, Salem District (for silver anklet manu-facturing units)	Stilt + 3 Floors	102	99,346	25.29
	Total		**366**	**4,32,745**	**183.91**

The following new flatted factory complexes are under construction:

Sl. No.	**Name of Industrial Estate**	**No. of Floors**	**No. of Modules**	**Built up Area in Sq. ft.**	**Project Cost (Rs. in crore)**
1.	Hosur (Zuzuwadi), Krishnagiri District	Stilt + 4 Floors	69	55,593	29.12
2.	K.Pudur, Madurai	Stilt + 3 Floors	38	34,151	22.64
3.	Sakki-mangalam, Madurai District	Stilt + 6 Floors	258	1,17,000	98.08
4.	Gold Jewellery Park, Kurichi, Coimbatore District	Stilt + 5 Floors	300	1,38,017	81.14
	Total		**665**	**3,44,761**	**230.98**

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3.4. Common Facility Centres (CFCs) under MSE-CDP Scheme

Common Facility Centres are being developed by TANSIDCO to enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the Micro and Small Enterprises. These CFCs can be used by MSEs for their value addition and assembly requirements. Such facilities are currently being implemented under the MSE-CDP scheme. So far, TANSIDCO has completed 38 CFC projects, at a total project cost of Rs.273.24 crore. Further, 11 projects are under implementation at a total project cost of Rs.232.49 crore.

Tamil Nadu stands first in India for implementation of the MSE-CDP scheme which includes CFC (49 Nos.) and ID project (52 Nos.).

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The overall status of CFC projects is provided below:-

Sl. No.	Status	No.	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI Grant (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contri -bution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Completed Projects	38	273.24	186.26	28.17	45.60
2.	Projects under implement -tation	11	232.49	153.19	33.95	41.28
	Total	**49**	**505.73**	**339.45**	**62.12**	**86.88**

The details of the above CFC projects under MSE-CDP Scheme of Government of India are given in Annexure 2 and 3.

3.5. Micro Cluster Development Programme (MCDP)

With a view to help the numerous clusters of micro enterprises across the State, "Micro Cluster Development Programme" is under implementation. This scheme is being implemented by both ICDIC and TANSIDCO. Under this scheme,

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10 projects have been completed so far and 10 projects are under implementation by TANSIDCO.

The overall status is given below:-

Sl. No.	Status	No.	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contribution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Completed Projects	10	58.91	46.56	12.35
2.	Projects under implementation	10	41.30	31.04	10.26
Total		**20**	**100.21**	**77.60**	**22.61**

3.6. Workers' Hostels

For providing decent, safe and clean rental housing at affordable rent at/near work places for workers, the following workers' hostels have been constructed by TANSIDCO:-

Sl. No.	Name of Indus -trial Estate	No. of Floors	Built up Area in Sq. ft.	No. of Rooms	No. of Workers to be benefit-ted	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	Average monthly rent (per person)
1.	Ambattur, Chennai District	Stilt + 5 Floor	1,22,442	135	1350	29.47	Rs.2,400/-

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Sl. No.	Name of Indus -trial Estate	No. of Floors	Built up Area in Sq. ft.	No. of Rooms	No. of Workers to be benefit-ted	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	Average monthly rent (per person)
2.	Kurichi, Coimbatore District	Stilt + 3 Floor	98,812	111	744	23.05	Rs.2,500/- to Rs.3,100/-
Total			**2,21,254**	**246**	**2094**	**52.52**	

A new workers' hostel is under construction:

Sl. No.	Name of Industrial Estate	No. of Floors	Built up Area in Sq. ft.	No. of Rooms	No. of Workers to be benefit-ted	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)
1.	Thirumudi-vakkam, Kanchipuram District	Stilt + 3 Floor	83,404	81	648	29.27

This project will be completed by May 2027.

3.7. Mega Clusters

TANSIDCO has established following two Mega Clusters for key sectors with a view to connect MSMEs to global requirements and

to help them link with latest technology needs. These Mega Clusters house multiple MSMEs and will help to realise the USD 1.5 trillion dollar by 2036 economy vision of Tamil Nadu.

The details of the 2 Mega Clusters are given below:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Extent (in Acres)	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)	GoI Grant (Rs. in crore)	GoTN Grant (Rs. in crore)	SPV Contri-bution (Rs. in crore)
1.	Precision Mega Cluster, Thirumudivakkam	Built-up area - 5730 Sq. ft. and land area - 1.876 acre	18.18	-	13.06	05.12
2.	Pharma Mega Cluster, Tindivanam	111.47	155.01	20.00	51.57	83.44

3.8. Other initiatives

3.8.1. Plots/ Sheds/ Modules Allotment Policy

Developed plots/ sheds/ modules in TANSIDCO Industrial Estates are being allotted on outright sale/ lease/ rental basis

to MSMEs by advertising the details of vacant plots/ sheds/ modules in the official website of TANSIDCO. On receipt of application requesting allotment of plots/ sheds/ modules, a Screening Committee meeting is convened to select eligible applicants. In case of high number of eligible applicants, allotment is made through draw of lots in the presence of the applicants. Timeline for execution of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and handing over of plot have been reduced from 2 months to 15 days.

To facilitate the MSMEs in commencing production early, interim loans are arranged for purchase of TANSIDCO plots/ sheds under the Industrial Infrastructure Initiative Scheme (IIIS) of Tamil Nadu Industrial Investment Corporation (TIIC); and the Flexi Loan for Your MSME (FLY -MSME) of the Tamil Nadu Industrial Co-operative Bank (TAICO Bank).

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3.8.2. e-Governance initiatives

TANSIDCO has computerised its operations to provide faster and efficient services to MSMEs. TANSIDCO’s Geographic Information System (GIS) has been integrated with the Government of India's "Indian Industrial Information System (IIS) and the Indian Industrial Land Bank (IILB) web portal. With a view to provide prompt services to the Industrial Estate allottees, and to disseminate information about the services/ schemes offered by TANSIDCO, a website has been designed: www.tansidco.tn.gov.in. Further, the online application system for allotment has been integrated with the Tamil Nadu Single Window Portal.

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The following online e-services are being provided to MSMEs:

i. View vacant industrial plots / sheds / modules online under different categories
ii. View Geographical Information System (GIS) of Industrial Estate layouts with Industrial Estate details and Plot Information.
iii. File and track applications online for allotment of plots / sheds / modules and also post allotment services.
iv. Facility has been provided for applicants to view how many entrepreneurs have applied for a particular vacant industrial plot / shed while submitting their application.
v. Download allotment order anytime, anywhere.

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vi. Apply for NOC for IT-ITES

vii. Apply for sale deed

viii. Apply for Transfer of plot / shed

ix. Issue of NOC to leasing of plot / shed (or transfer)

x. Apply for change in constitution / line of activity

xi. The allottees are also provided with unique login credentials to access the portal, make plot cost payments and view pending dues and related details.

xii. Developed an online rental payment portal for rental allottees, enabling convenient payment of rental dues through a digital platform.

xiii. Developed an online grievance submission portal enabling industrial associations to submit grievances securely using their registered email ids.

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xiv. Receive updates through SMS & e-mail notifications.

3.8.3. Patta for Industrial plots

41 Government Industrial Estates and 100 TANSIDCO owned Industrial Estates were formed through transfer of land / alienation from Government and other ways. The classifications of these lands are recorded in the revenue records as Sarkar Poromboke in most Industrial Estates and as Ryotwari in a few Industrial Estates. Hence, MSMEs could not get the patta for these lands.

To address this issue, the Government formed an empowered committee headed by the Chief Secretary to change the classification of the land from Sarkar Poramboke to Ryotwari lands. As a result, the Government issued order for change the classification of 2053 acres of Government

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Poromboke land as Ryotwari in 23 Government Industrial Estates and 26 SIDCO Industrial Estates. As on date, 9,970 unit holders have been issued with NOC for getting patta easily and 3,825 allottees benefited by obtaining the patta for their Industrial Plots.

3.8.4. Co-Working Space

To meet out the current demand for working space requirement of the industrial units & IT personnels / entrepreneurs, Co-Working Space Buildings have been established at 3 Industrial Estates, namely Guindy, Ambattur and Thiruvanmiyur. The works have been completed at a cost of Rs.3.50 crore.

Sl. No.	Name of the Industrial Estate	Office Space	Conference Hall	Cafeteria	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)
1.	Guindy	7 (171 Seats)	2 (20 Seats)	1	1.70

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Sl. No.	Name of the Industrial Estate	Office Space	Conference Hall	Cafeteria	Project Cost (Rs. in crore)
2.	Ambattur	4 (81 Seats)	1 (11 Seats)	1	0.57
3.	Thiruvanmiyur	3 (134 Seats)	2 (22 Seats)	1	1.23
	Total	**14 (386 Seats)**	**5 (53 Seats)**	**3**	**3.50**

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4. TAMIL NADU SMALL INDUSTRIES CORPORATION LIMITED (TANSI)

Tamil Nadu Small Industries Corporation (TANSI) was established as a State Public Sector Undertaking in 1965 to cater to various engineering needs of Government Departments. It started its operations with 64 production and sales units.

- **TANSI**, **1965**, began with 64 production and sales units to meet the engineering needs of Government departments.

4.1. Mission

To produce and supply quality goods with innovative designs at reasonable price to the end customers within the prescribed timeline.

4.2. Products

- Classroom furniture for schools, colleges and hostels
- Furniture for domestic and office use

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- Spirit-based products for Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation
- Spirit-based Industrial products such as Gasket Shellac, French polish, Thinner and disinfectant solutions like Lysol, Phenyl
- Enamel and Road marking paints

4.3. Production and Sales units

Sl. No.	Category	No. of units
1.	Engineering and Furniture Units	12
2.	Special Units	2
	Total	**14**
3.	Showroom (Chennai and Tiruchirappalli)	2

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4.4. Major orders executed during the Financial Year 2025-26

(Rs.1 crore and above)

Department	Work order details	Order Value (Rs. in crore)
Department of School Education	Steel dual desks and school furniture	30.30
Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation	School and hostel furniture	21.00
Department of Technical Education	Computer table, steel chair and college furniture	15.20
Department of Health and Family Welfare	Steel and wooden furniture	9.44
Department of Employment and Training	Steel and wooden furniture	1.95

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4.5. Construction of Multistoried Plug and Play industrial units

During 2023–24, TANSI took an initiative for construction of Plug and Play Units in 3.08 acres of its land, at a construction cost of Rs.63 crore with its own funds, through TANSIDCO. Construction of the 263 Plug and Play Units (Ground and 3 Floors, built-up area of 1.89 lakh sqft.) has been completed. The objective of the project is to provide ready-to-occupy industrial space for industrial units, thereby promoting the growth and development of the MSME sector and generating job opportunities.

- 263 plug-and-play units over 1.89 lakh sq ft completed on 3.08 acres at **Rs.63 crore** from **TANSI**'s own funds.

4.6. E-Commerce

TANSI has registered itself on GeM portal for purchase of input materials and sale of goods produced. Since inception, sale of goods worth Rs.2.31 crore has been achieved.

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4.7. Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)

In order to ensure uninterrupted work flow in TANSI and account keeping with single point data entry, development of ERP software incorporating following modules is under progress:

1. Personnel Module
2. Payroll Module
3. Accounts Module
4. Pay Module and Bank Integration
5. Existing PMS Integration
6. Holistic Dashboard

4.8. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative

Steel and Wooden Furniture, worth Rs.8.77 lakh was supplied to Government Arts and Science College, Alandur, Chennai under CSR commitment.

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4.9. Business Performance during last three financial years

(Rs. in crore)

Description	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Orders received	122.98	165.15	142.41
Production	118.20	107.24	146.56*
Sales	122.06	105.43	142.28
Profit Before Tax	25.53	15.46	16.55
Net Profit	18.48	7.34	10.92

* Production for FY 2025-26 is Rs.146.56 crore which is the highest achievement during the past 15 years.

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5. ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION INSTITUTE - TAMIL NADU (EDII-TN)

Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute - Tamil Nadu (EDII-TN) operates under the Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of Tamil Nadu. It was established in the year 2001 under the Societies Registration Act as a non-profit organization. The primary objective of the Institute is to create a robust ecosystem for entrepreneurship and innovation across Tamil Nadu.

- **EDII-TN**, **2001**, is a non-profit society - the State's entrepreneurship training arm.

The core activities of the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute include providing training in collaboration with Government Departments, conducting various skill-based entrepreneurship development programs,

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promoting innovation, and offering business and commercial consultancies. These activities create an enabling environment to transform entrepreneurs and aspiring entrepreneurs into successful business leaders. Additionally, this institute supports the establishment of Incubation Centres and conducts hackathons to foster entrepreneurial and innovative thinking among school and higher education students.

Since its inception, the institute has provided training, guidance, and seed funding to over five lakh diverse beneficiaries, including aspiring micro, small, and medium entrepreneurs and startups through various schemes. Over the past four years, awareness and training on entrepreneurship and innovation have been provided to 42 lakh school students through the School Innovation Development Project

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(SIDP) and to 11 lakh higher education students through the Tamil Nadu Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (TNYIEDP).

Strategies

The institute promotes entrepreneurship and innovation in Tamil Nadu through the following activities:

- Enhancing the entrepreneurial skills of aspiring youth and entrepreneurs
- Creating infrastructure and providing seed funding support for technology and startups
- Integrating formal entrepreneurship education into schools and higher education institutions, and organizing Hackathons

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- Collaborating with all government and non-governmental organizations to create ecosystems for entrepreneurship and innovative discoveries
- Serving as a mentoring institution for emerging entrepreneurs
- Assisting micro, cottage, and small entrepreneurs in marketing their products
- Offering a one-year certificate course in Entrepreneurship and Innovation for aspiring entrepreneurs
- Providing financial Assistance of 3 lakhs for converting Idea to a Prototype and 7 lakhs for converting prototype to a marketable product through Innovation Voucher Programme.

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Activities

Entrepreneurship promotion activities are undertaken through the Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP), Skill-Based Entrepreneurship Development Programme (SBEDP), and Certificate Courses. Furthermore, innovation promotion activities are carried out through initiatives such as the Tamil Nadu Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (TNYIEDP), School Innovation Development Project (SIDP), Incubation Centres, and the Innovation Voucher Programme (IVP). These activities are implemented with the support of 376 sectoral resource experts, 9 incubation centres, 138 knowledge partners, 15 jury members, and 300 mentors.

- **SIDP** has run with the School Education Department since **2022-23**; awareness and training reached 12,11,100 students in **2025-26**.

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EDII-TN undertakes awareness activities for all its initiatives through social media, press, and digital communication channels.

5.1. Entrepreneurship Development Training Programmes

Entrepreneurship development training and various skill-based business development programs are conducted in collaboration with various Government Departments. These training sessions are organized across diverse topics, such as identifying business opportunities, market analysis, business plan preparation, business model generation, Strength, Weakness, Opportunities, and Challenges (SWOC) analysis, risk management, and legal procedures for setting up a business enterprise.

5.1.1. Entrepreneurship Development Programme (Coordination)

This institute provides entrepreneurship development training to selected beneficiaries in coordination with various Government Departments and organizations, such as the Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce (IC&DIC), Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women (TNCDW), Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation (TNSDC), Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihoods Mission (TNSRLM), Tamil Nadu Urban Livelihoods Mission (TNULM), Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEx), Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board (TNUHDB), Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO) and The National Institute for Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development (NIESBUD).

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In the financial year 2025-26, in-person training was provided to 19,925 beneficiaries under the above schemes at an estimated cost of Rs.3.39 crore.

In addition to the above-mentioned training, entrepreneurship development training was provided online to 2,580 beneficiaries under the Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme (UYEGP), in collaboration with the Commissionerate of Industries and Commerce. Furthermore, online training was provided to 2,440 beneficiaries under the New Entrepreneur cum Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS), and to 1,581 beneficiaries under the Annal Ambedkar Business Champions Scheme (AABCS). In the financial year 2025-26, a total of 6,601 beneficiaries were provided with online entrepreneurship development training.

- **EDII-TN** trained 19,925 people in person in **2025-26** at **Rs.3.39** crore, plus 6,601 online and 19,886 through self-financed programmes.

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5.1.2. Skill-Based Entrepreneurship Development Programme (SBEDP)

The Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute (EDII) is implementing the Skill-Based Entrepreneurship Development Programme (SBEDP) in second- and third-tier cities across Tamil Nadu. Under this programme, beneficiaries who are interested in starting enterprises are identified and selected. Based on their needs, skill training is provided, along with support for Udyam registration, business facilitation services, and continuous mentoring to help them establish and sustain their enterprises.

During the financial year 2025–26, a total of 231 training programmes were conducted, benefiting 9,000 participants. Among them, 1,460 beneficiaries have successfully started their own enterprises.

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5.1.3. Entrepreneurship Development Programmes – (Self-Financed Schemes)

Paid training programmes are provided to aspiring entrepreneurs on the following topics:

1. Entrepreneurship Development Training Programme (5 Days)
2. Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Advanced Digital Marketing Training
3. Training on Creating Your Own YouTube Channel
4. Basic Bakery Products Training
5. Training on Identifying Export Opportunities, Products, and Marketing
6. Gold Appraiser Training
7. Training on Manufacturing Industrial Chemicals and Home Care Products
8. Food Processing Registration Procedure Training

9. Drone Operation Training
10. Marketing and Branding Training
11. Social Media and Web Designing Training
12. Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) on Millets Bakery
13. Solar Power Installation Training

Based on demand, more than 280 self-financed training programmes, including the above are offered. In the financial year 2025-26, self-financed training was provided to 19,886 beneficiaries.

5.2. Innovation Promotion

5.2.1. Tamil Nadu Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (Nimirndhu Nil) (TNYIEDP) 2025-2030:

- Nimirndhu Nil, **2025-2030**, aims to create about 10,000 student entrepreneurs over five years at **Rs.19.57 crore**.

The 'Nimirndhu Nil' Tamil Nadu Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (TNYIEDP) is a

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flagship initiative of the Government of Tamil Nadu. This scheme is implemented using a Hub and Spoke model with the objective of creating an entrepreneurial mindset and startup culture among higher education students and youth in Tamil Nadu. Moreover, to encourage students' innovative ideas, the 'Nimirndhu Nil' Hackathon is conducted, through which selected innovative concepts are awarded cash prizes and seed funding.

Under this scheme, 2,000 higher education institutions across Tamil Nadu have been connected, including universities, engineering, arts and science colleges, polytechnics, industrial training institutes (ITIs), as well as agriculture, veterinary, fisheries, and medical colleges. The scheme is being implemented at an estimated cost of Rs.19.57 crore, with the objective of creating

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around 10,000 student entrepreneurs over a 5-year period from 2025 to 2030.

In the financial year 2025-26, awareness and training were provided to 3,04,300 students at an estimated cost of Rs.3.55 crore.

5.2.2. School Innovation Development Project (SIDP)

The Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, in collaboration with the Department of School Education, Government of Tamil Nadu, has been implementing the School Innovation Development Project since the academic year 2022-23. This scheme is implemented to nurture innovation and entrepreneurial skills among students of classes 6 to 12 studying in Government and Government-Aided high and higher secondary schools across all 38 districts of

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Tamil Nadu. UNICEF serves as the knowledge partner for this initiative.

In the financial year 2025-26, awareness and training were provided to 12,11,100 students at an estimated cost of Rs.4.19 crore.

5.2.3. Innovation Voucher Programme (IVP)

The Innovation Voucher Programme is a unique initiative of the Government of Tamil Nadu that provides seed funding to encourage researchers and innovative inventors in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and startups across various sectors such as agriculture, horticulture, veterinary science, medicine, fisheries, engineering, solid waste management, healthcare, nanotechnology, and electronics.

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Inventors are selected by a state-level selection committee. To bring their submitted innovative ideas to fruition, seed funding of up to Rs.3 lakh each is provided under Voucher-A. For manufacturing and marketing the innovative discoveries, seed funding of up to Rs.7 lakh each is provided under Voucher-B. As part of this initiative, 138 educational institutions are active knowledge partners in this scheme.

- Student innovators get up to **Rs.3** lakh under Voucher-A to develop an idea and up to **Rs.7 lakh** under Voucher-B to manufacture and market it.

In the financial year 2025-26, seed funding of Rs.8.47 crore was sanctioned to 259 innovators.

- **Rs.8.47 crore** of seed funding went to 259 innovators in **2025-26**.

5.2.4. Business Incubators - Tamil Nadu Manufacturing Business Incubators Infrastructure Development Scheme

One of the key focus areas of the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute is fostering technology-based entrepreneurs. Business incubators

provide various services such as workspace to start businesses, workshops, awareness camps, seed funding, networking, mentorship services, and assistance with intellectual property rights.

The following Business Incubators were established by the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute:

S. No.	Name of the Business Incubator	Sector / Department
1.	Veterinary Incubation Forum, Thiruvallur District	Veterinary
2.	Periyakulam Horti Business Incubation Forum, Periyakulam, Theni District	Horticulture
3.	Killikullam Agri Business Incubation Forum, Killikulam, Thoothukudi District	Agriculture

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S. No.	Name of the Business Incubator	Sector / Department
4.	Trichy Agri Forestry Business Incubation Forum, Tiruchirappalli, Tiruchirappalli District	Agriculture
5.	Mettuppalayam Agro Forestry Business Incubation Forum, Mettupalayam, Coimbatore District	Agroforestry
6.	Marine Products Business Incubation Forum, Thoothukudi, Thoothukudi District	Fisheries
7.	Anna Business Incubation Research Foundation, Tiruchirappalli, Tiruchirappalli District	Pharmaceuticals

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S. No.	Name of the Business Incubator	Sector / Department
8.	Periyar University Business Incubator Confederation, Salem, Salem District	Food and Nutrition
9.	Annamalai Innovation and Business Incubator Research Foundation, Chidambaram, Cuddalore District	Advanced Manufacturing

So far, 1,283 incubates were nurtured. Further, 1,37,718 beneficiaries have gained valuable insights and skills through various awareness camps and training programmes.

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5.3. Certificate Programme in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

To strengthen the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Tamil Nadu and equip aspiring entrepreneurs with comprehensive knowledge and skills, the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, Tamil Nadu (EDII-TN), in collaboration with the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad, launched a one-year certificate programme on November 11, 2024.

The certificate programme equips aspiring entrepreneurs with knowledge and practical skills in innovation, entrepreneurship, business planning, and enterprise management. The initiative aims to support them through various activities, including industrial field visits, assistance in preparing project reports, and facilitating

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access to benefits under the Innovation Voucher Programme.

In the financial year 2025-26, 27 students completed this one-year programme. So far, 50 students have completed with training and their achievements are as follows:

Performance Indicator	Achieved Milestone	Sectoral Verticals & Strategic Impact
MSME Udyam Registrations	35	Brought informal current cohort Businesses directly into the regulated MSME banking ecosystem, making them eligible for priority sector lending.

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Performance Indicator	Achieved Milestone	Sectoral Verticals & Strategic Impact
DPIIT Registered	8 Startups	Formally accredited by the Department for Promotion of Industry and internal Trade(DPIIT), unlocking central tax exemptions and national equity funding channels.
Private limited incorporations	16	Transitioned high-growth Businesses into robust corporate legal structures, ready to attract venture capital and external investments.

Performance Indicator	Achieved Milestone	Sectoral Verticals & Strategic Impact
State Grants availed by the Alumni	Rs.31 lakhs	Capital secured by trainees under the flagship Tamil Nadu Innovation Voucher Program (IVP), validating the technological viability of their project.

5.4. Infrastructure Facilities of the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, Tamil Nadu

To facilitate training sessions and entrepreneurial activities within the EDII-TN campus, 7 state-of-the-art training halls with a total seating capacity for 250 persons have

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been developed. Additional Rooms to accommodate 108 participants have been set up at an estimated cost of Rs.2.39 crore. These training halls are also made available on a rental basis to Government Departments and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) to conduct their own training sessions.

5.5. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Facilitation Cell

The Tamil Nadu Intellectual Property Rights Facilitation Cell, operating at the headquarters of the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, helps innovative inventors protect their intellectual property rights by providing legal assistance, creating awareness, and conducting specialized training programmes.

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The following services are provided in the cell:-

1. Awareness Programmes

Conducting awareness programmes on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), including patents, trademarks, and industrial designs.

2. IPR Facilitation

Assisting Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), innovative inventors, and beneficiaries of EDII-TN with patent searches, filing, and registration.

3. Filing Guidance

Providing handholding support and guidance for filing applications with the Indian Patent Office (IPO).

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6. BUREAU FOR FACILITATING MSMEs OF TAMIL NADU (FaMeTN)

The Bureau for Facilitating MSMEs of Tamil Nadu (FaMeTN), under the MSME Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, is a facilitator organisation established to support the growth and competitiveness of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). The Bureau promotes investment, market access, exports, technology adoption and enterprise development through targeted initiatives that strengthen Tamil Nadu's MSME ecosystem and contribute to the State's industrial and economic growth.

The major activities and initiatives undertaken by FaMeTN are as follows.

6.1. Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP)

FaMeTN is the State Nodal Agency for the RAMP Scheme, a Central Sector Scheme

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of the Ministry of MSME, Government of India. Rs.165 crore has been earmarked for Tamil Nadu over four years for initiatives including Digital MSME Facilitation Services, Industry Transformation Maps, Vendor Development Programmes, International Reverse Buyer-Seller Meets, Quality Certifications and Intellectual Property Rights. So far, Rs.43.57 crore has been utilised for these projects, which are at various stages of implementation.

- **Rs.165 crore** is earmarked for Tamil Nadu under **RAMP** over four years, of which **Rs.43.57** crore has been used so far.

6.2. Access to Markets

Limited market access and business visibility remain key challenges for MSMEs. To overcome these barriers, FaMeTN implements focused initiatives that facilitates participation in trade fairs and exhibitions, promotes digital commerce, strengthens buyer-seller linkages and enhances access to Government procurement opportunities,

thereby improving the competitiveness and growth prospects of MSMEs.

During the year 2025–26, FaMeTN, in association with GeM, organized district-wise awareness and onboarding programmes to promote greater participation of MSMEs in Government procurement. As a result of these efforts, 5,832 Micro and Small Enterprises were onboarded onto the GeM platform, enabling them to access a wider range of Government procurement opportunities. Further, to support market expansion, sponsorship assistance of Rs.1.48 crore was extended to 140 MSMEs and 9 industry associations for participation in trade fairs and exhibitions across India and abroad.

FaMeTN, in the year 2025-2026, further strengthened buyer-seller linkages by organizing three Reverse Buyer-Seller Meets (RBSMs), during which 379 MoUs were

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signed between MSMEs and international buyers, resulting in business opportunities worth Rs.206.75 crore. In addition, in order to enhance awareness of MSMEs on procurement opportunities and vendor requirements of large industries and public sector enterprises, six Vendor Development Programmes (VDPs) were conducted with the participation of around 30 Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and large industries. Collectively, these initiatives have benefited over 2,600 MSMEs by facilitating market access and nurturing business partnerships.

6.3. Digital Initiatives

To strengthen the digital ecosystem for MSMEs, FaMeTN is implementing four key digital initiatives.

- The FaMeTN Learning Management System (LMS) offers structured,

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accessible and scalable learning programmes for MSMEs.

- MSME Health Engine helps enterprises assess and improve their business performance through data-driven insights.
- The FaMeTN Customer Relationship Management (CRM) platform enhances engagement with MSMEs and facilitates the effective implementation of government initiatives.
- MSME Compliance Management System (CMS) is being developed to improve statutory compliance awareness and simplify regulatory tracking, thereby supporting efficient business management and compliance among MSMEs.

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6.4. Quality and Sustainability

FaMeTN promotes sustainable industrial growth by encouraging MSMEs to adopt resource-efficient, environmentally responsible, and quality-focused business practices. During the year 2025–26, FaMeTN conducted 42 workshops on the Zero Defect Zero Effect (ZED) Certification Programme, benefiting 2,296 MSMEs through awareness on quality standards and sustainable manufacturing practices. These efforts facilitated the achievement of 7,815 ZED certifications, comprising, 494 Gold, 459 Silver and 6,862 Bronze certifications, thereby enhancing the quality, sustainability and competitiveness of MSMEs.

6.5. One District One Product

The One District One Product (ODOP) is a Union Government initiative aimed at achieving balanced regional development by

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identifying and promoting one unique product from each district. The programme highlights India's rich diversity across various sectors and supports local clusters and communities.

In Tamil Nadu, 55 ODOP products have been identified covering agriculture, marine products, food processing, textiles, manufacturing, handloom and handicrafts. Of these, 10 products have been granted Geographical Indication (GI) tags, namely Dindigul Locks (Dindigul), Handicrafts and Handloom (Thanjavur), Leather Products (Ranipet, Tiruchirappalli, Tirupathur and Vellore), Salem Silk (Salem), Kancheepuram Silk (Kancheepuram), Nilgiris Tea (Nilgiris) and Erode Turmeric (Erode). In order to promote these products, provisions for onboarding 38 ODOP product categories from 29 districts have been provided on the GeM ODOP Bazaar.

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6.6. Export Help Desk

As a part of the Tamil Nadu Export Promotion Strategy-2021, necessary training was imparted to all the Officers and staff of District Industries Centres by Director General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) and Federation of Indian Export Organizations (FIEO) about the procedure for exports, document preparation for exports, export financing and schemes for exporters.

An exclusive export assistance desk with proper infrastructure at each District Industries Centre was established with necessary accessories to assist the exporters in each District Industries Centre.

The export help desk is being manned by a trained person well versed in the export procedures, formalities, documentation and schemes.

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7. TAMIL NADU FOOD PROCESSING AND AGRI EXPORT PROMOTION CORPORATION (TNAPEx)

The Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation (TNAPEx) has been established by the Government of Tamil Nadu to promote food processing, value addition, agricultural exports from the State. TNAPEx serves as a dedicated nodal agency to strengthen the agri-food value chain by facilitating capacity building, export promotion, infrastructure development, market access, technology adoption, and investment promotion, with the vision of transforming Tamil Nadu into a leading food processing and agri-export hub.

7.1. Awareness and Capacity Building Initiatives

TNAPEx conducts awareness programmes, training sessions, workshops,

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buyer–seller meets, and export promotion events to enhance the capabilities of farmers, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), MSMEs, startups, and entrepreneurs. Overall, TNAPEx has organized 381 awareness and capacity-building programmes across Tamil Nadu, benefiting over 50,000 stakeholders so far.

TNAPEx also facilitates participation in major national and international trade exhibitions including Biofach India, Indusfood, and World Food India and creating business opportunities for FPOs and MSMEs worth more than Rs.180 crore. Additionally, over 208 farmers and entrepreneurs have been onboarded onto e-commerce platforms, while more than 350+ enterprises have been connected with domestic and international buyers.

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7.2. Value Chain Development and Market Linkages

TNAPEx facilitates in developing integrated value chains for high-potential commodities such as moringa, mango, banana, tomato, chilli, coconut, fish, rice, and jackfruit. Through these initiatives, market linkages have been created for over 5,673 Metric Tonnes of agricultural and value-added products, benefiting more than 8,822 farmers.

Under the Chilli Value Chain development program, 1,100 farmers covering 800 acres have been integrated, resulting in market linkages for 700 Metric Tonnes of dried chillies. Similarly, under the Mango Value Chain, 1,700 farmers have been registered on the HortiNet platform to enhance traceability and export readiness.

The Moringa Value Chain is one of TNAPEx's flagship initiatives. Under this

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programme, 327 farmers covering 777 acres have been integrated, facilitating the export of 3,724 Metric Tonnes of value-added moringa products. Memorandam of Understanding (MoUs) have been signed with seven companies, generating export opportunities valued at Rs.105 crore. Overall, this initiative has benefitted more than 20,000 stakeholders across the value chain.

7.3. Infrastructure Development and Technical Support

To strengthen food quality infrastructure, TNAPEx is establishing state-of-the-art Food Testing Laboratories at Madurai and Tiruchirappalli at a total project cost of Rs.11.43 crore and Rs.7.61 crore, respectively. The Corporation has also integrated 67 NABL-accredited food testing laboratories across Tamil Nadu into a unified

digital platform to improve access to testing services.

Under the RAMP programme, TNAPEx organized 24 capacity building workshops for Export Promotion, Branding and Marketing, benefiting over 1,800 MSMEs across Tamil Nadu.

7.4. Export Facilitation and Specialized Support Services

TNAPEx provides end-to-end support to exporters and food processing enterprises through its specialized facilitation platforms:

- **Tamil Nadu Export Promotion Desk (TNEPD)** – Export guidance, market intelligence, buyer connect, and export facilitation.
- **Tamil Nadu Food Technology Repository Desk (TN-FTRD)** – Technical support, food processing

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technologies, product development, and value addition.

- **Tamil Nadu Geographical Indication Products Promotion Desk (TN-GIPPD)** – Promotion of GI products, branding, certification support, and market linkage.

Through these initiatives, TNAPEx has provided export facilitation, quality certification guidance, technical assistance, new product development support, and market linkages to more than 5,086 exporters, entrepreneurs and MSMEs. A dedicated Buyer–Seller Meet for GI Products generated business opportunities worth Rs.70 lakh.

7.5. Promotion of Innovation and Emerging Sectors

TNAPEx promotes innovation and investment in emerging sectors of the food processing industry. Under the Plant-Based Protein Promotion Scheme, eligible enterprises are provided a 35% capital subsidy, subject to a maximum of Rs.50 lakh.

To strengthen research, innovation, and technology transfer, TNAPEx has established strategic partnerships with premier institutions, including Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU), Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (TANUVAS), Tamil Nadu Dr.J.Jayalalithaa Fisheries University (TNJFU), Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M), and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

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7.6. Weekly Trade Advisory

As part of its continuous export facilitation efforts, TNAPEx conducts the "வாரம்தோறும் வர்த்தக ஆலோசனை (Weekly Trade Advisory)" online programme every Wednesday. The sessions provide guidance on export procedures, market opportunities, quality standards, certification requirements, logistics, and international trade regulations.

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8. TAMIL NADU STARTUP AND INNOVATION MISSION (TANSIM)

The Tamil Nadu Startup and Innovation Mission (TANSIM) is the Government of Tamil Nadu's agency responsible for promoting startup and innovation-led growth in the State. Operating under the brand name StartupTN, the Mission functions under the Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of Tamil Nadu. It was incorporated as a Section 8 Company in 2021. The Mission is guided by the long-term vision of positioning Tamil Nadu among the world's Top 20 startup ecosystems by 2032, based on internationally recognized benchmarks.

StartupTN has achieved significant progress through the implementation of initiatives focused on strengthening the State's startup and innovation ecosystem.

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As a result, the number of Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) recognized Startups has increased from nearly 2,500 to over 15,100. During the financial year 2025-26 alone, 3,526 new startups were recognised. It is noteworthy that more than 50 percent of these are women-led startups. Tamil Nadu has emerged as one of the leading States in the States' Startup Ranking released under the Government of India's Startup India initiative.

NITI Aayog has recognised Tamil Nadu as a Model State for its vibrant innovation ecosystem. The Tamil Nadu SC/ST Startup Fund has also been conferred the SKOCH Award. Chennai city has emerged as India's leading DeepTech hub, recording a 66 percent Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) in DeepTech investments during the period from 2021 to 2024.

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Going forward, StartupTN will work towards positioning Tamil Nadu as a leading innovation-driven startup ecosystem. The Mission will place special emphasis on Artificial Intelligence (AI), investment readiness and strategic ecosystem interventions, while focusing on improving the quality, scalability and global competitiveness of startups.

8.1. Key Objectives:

- To assist Startups in incubating the innovative ideas and handhold them in bringing the products to commercial production.
- To connect startups seeking investments with investors and investment firms, while also providing startups with comprehensive support required to raise investments.

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- To bridge the funding gap faced by startups in Tamil Nadu through the effective implementation of the Government of Tamil Nadu's Seed Fund and Equity Investment schemes.
- To establish Model Venture Studios in Tamil Nadu and nurture, new sustainable and scalable startups.

8.2. Major Initiatives:

8.2.1. Regional Startup Hubs:

With the objective of taking this initiative to all parts of the State, and to ensure that startup resources are not concentrated only in major cities but are extended to Tier II and Tier III cities, Regional Startup Hubs have been established and are functioning in Madurai, Erode, Tirunelveli, Hosur, Salem, Cuddalore, Thanjavur, Coimbatore and Trichy. During

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the financial year 2025-26, a new Regional Startup Hub was established at Thoothukudi. Further, 465 events were organised through these Regional Startup Hubs, benefiting more than 83,000 startups, aspiring entrepreneurs and students. Through the Regional Startup Hubs, 33 Hackathons were organised to address 257 problem statements. As a result, more than 180 innovative business ideas have been connected with incubators for further development.

Awareness programmes on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) for startups to protect their products, as well as Regional Investor Connect programmes, are also being organised on a continuous basis.

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8.2.2. Tamil Nadu Startup Seed Fund (TANSEED)

Under the Tamil Nadu Startup Seed Fund (TANSEED), seed funding is provided to early-stage startups. With the objective of promoting gender equity in entrepreneurship, 25 percent of the beneficiaries under the scheme are earmarked for women-led startups every year. Women-led startups, startups working in the areas of climate change and startups working in the areas of rural livelihood development are eligible for financial assistance of Rs.15 lakh under the scheme. Startups from all other sectors are eligible for financial assistance of Rs.10 lakh. So far, 194 startups have benefited under the scheme.

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8.2.3. Startup to Government (S2G) Procurement Day

StartupTN organises Startup to Government (S2G) Procurement Day events to facilitate direct procurement between Government departments, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and startups. In the last year, 34 such events were organised in collaboration with various Government departments. Through this initiative, which aims to enhance market access, startups have secured work orders worth Rs.11.79 crore from Government organisations. During the current year, such events will be organised across all districts in collaboration with the District Administration, Government departments and Public Sector Undertakings. This will expand market opportunities for startups while enabling Government organisations to access innovative solutions more effectively.

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8.2.4. Investor Connect

StartupTN continues to organise Investor Connect programmes to facilitate interactions between startups seeking investments and investors, venture capital firms and banks. In the last year, 2,577 startups participated in 133 Investor Connect events organised by StartupTN. As a result, startups successfully raised investments amounting to Rs.152.68 crore.

8.2.5. Pre-Incubation Centres

StartupTN is implementing a scheme to support the establishment of Pre-Incubation Centres (PICs) in educational institutions located in Tier II, Tier III and Tier IV cities across Tamil Nadu. The scheme aims to foster an entrepreneurial culture within educational institutions. Under this initiative, financial assistance amounting to

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Rs.6.22 crore has been sanctioned for establishing 83 Pre-Incubation Centres. During the current financial year, it is proposed to establish 117 additional Pre-Incubation Centres.

8.2.6. Gramam Thorum Puthozhil Scheme

The Gramam Thorum Puthozhil Scheme was launched in the year 2025-26 with the objective of promoting innovation and nurturing startups in rural areas. Under the Scheme, Village Startup Circles have been established in 100 villages. To support the growth of 100 startups built on innovative business models leveraging local resources available in rural areas, Startup-TN will provide entrepreneurship mentoring, facilitate market access through linkages with corporate organisations, connect startups with research institutions, and

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support them in mobilising investments from Government and private investment agencies.

8.2.7. Incubator Capacity Building

Startup-TN is implementing various initiatives to strengthen the capacity of incubators in Tamil Nadu by providing capacity building training and extending Grants to support their growth. During the previous year, 86 incubation managers were provided with capacity building training. In addition, 15 incubators were sanctioned Grants of Rs.5 lakh each.

8.2.8. MentorTN Platform

The MentorTN Platform connects entrepreneurs and startups with experienced mentors, enabling them to receive expert guidance, reduce the risk of failure, and strengthen innovation-driven

entrepreneurship. The platform provides mentorship support to entrepreneurs across the State, with a special focus on startups from Tier II and Tier III cities and rural areas, helping them achieve sustainable growth. During 2025-26 financial year, 1,132 mentoring sessions were facilitated through this platform.

8.2.9. Call Centre

The Call Centre provides guidance on DPIIT recognition, StartupTN schemes, incubation support, investment opportunities, and other entrepreneurship-related queries, serving as a single point of assistance for aspiring entrepreneurs and startups. The Call Centre, (Telephone No.155343) established in the year 2023 to provide information on startups and entrepreneurship, has responded to more than 12,000 calls so far.

8.2.10. Startup Fund for Transgenders and Differently Abled Persons

A special scheme is under implementation to provide grant assistance to startups founded by transgenders and differently abled persons. Under the Scheme, 10 beneficiaries have been sanctioned startup grants of Rs.5 lakh each, amounting to total assistance of Rs.50 lakh. In addition, incubation and entrepreneurship support programmes are also extended on priority to startups led by transgenders and differently abled persons.

8.2.11. StartupTN Smart Card

StartupTN is implementing the StartupTN Smart Card scheme to enable startups to avail products and services related to financial and legal advisory, software and information technology, human resource management, media and

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advertising, and other allied sectors at concessional rates through a package of exclusive benefits. During the previous year, 4,774 StartupTN Smart Cards were issued. Through this initiative, startups have realised savings amounting to Rs.2.58 crore.

8.2.12. Innovation Challenges

StartupTN organises Corporate Innovation Challenges by identifying problem statements from corporate organisations and connecting them with startups capable of developing innovative solutions. During the previous year, 123 startups participated in 12 Innovation Challenges. Of these, 25 startups received prototype development orders from corporate organisations. During the current financial year, Innovation Challenges will be organised in collaboration with new corporate organisations.

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8.2.13. Tamil Nadu SC/ST Startup Fund

With the objective of fostering an inclusive startup ecosystem, the Government of Tamil Nadu is implementing the Tamil Nadu SC/ST Startup Fund. Under this scheme, the Government provides equity investment to startups founded and led by entrepreneurs belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. So far, equity investment amounting to Rs.60.80 crore has been committed to 43 startups under this scheme. Notably, six of these startups are founded and led by entrepreneurs from the Scheduled Tribes of Tamil Nadu.

These startups operate across diverse sectors, including engineering, agri-tech, media, artificial intelligence, medical technology, green fuel production, e-commerce, food processing and value

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addition, and space technology, leveraging innovative business models.

During the current year, capacity building programmes will be organised through the Regional Startup Hubs to prepare eligible startups to benefit under this scheme. Startups from various sectors will be selected for equity investment under the scheme, and comprehensive post-investment support will also be provided.

8.2.14. Tamil Nadu Space Tech Fund

Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided to startups operating in the space technology sector. 14 startups have been selected under the scheme. In addition to financial assistance, the scheme provides industry linkages, mentoring by technology experts, and support for participation in national and international events. During the current financial year, the process of

disbursing financial assistance to the startups selected under the first edition of the scheme will be completed, and the second edition of the scheme will be implemented.

8.2.15 Technology Transfer Centre

This initiative is under implementation to support startups that are ready to commercialise technologies developed in universities, higher educational institutions, research institutions, and recognised research centres in Tamil Nadu. During the previous year, support was extended to six startups. This initiative works on:

- fostering strong partnerships between startups and educational and research institutions;
- promoting technology transfer and commercialisation through a structured framework;

- enabling startups to access the infrastructure facilities and technological resources available in research institutions; and
- establishing and implementing clear procedures for technology licensing agreements, inter-institutional collaborative frameworks, time-bound implementation plans, and intellectual property management.

8.2.16. Special Incubation Incentive for Women-led Startups

StartupTN is implementing the "Special Incubation Incentive scheme for Women-led Startups" to encourage women entrepreneurs to avail incubation support. Under the scheme, women-led startups are eligible for financial assistance of up to Rs.2 lakh towards incubation fees at State Government-approved incubation centres.

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So far, subsidy amounting to Rs.31.80 lakh has been disbursed to 27 women entrepreneurs.

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Conclusion

The MSME sector is the backbone of Tamil Nadu's economy, serving as a major driver of industrial growth, entrepreneurship, exports, and employment across the State. Recognizing its pivotal role, this Government remains firmly committed to fostering the sustained growth and competitiveness of MSMEs through a comprehensive range of incentives, subsidies, infrastructure support, technology upgradation, skill development, and improved access to finance and markets. With continued policy support and a conducive business environment, this Government is confident that the MSME sector will scale new heights and play a transformative role in achieving Tamil Nadu's long-term economic aspirations.

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Annexure 1: Details of Industrial Estates

Sl. No.	District	Sl. No.	Location	Govt. (OR) SIDCO	Mode of allotment (99 years Lease / Outright)	Year of Form-ation	Total Extent in Acres
1.	Chennai	1	Guindy	Govt.	Lease	1958	404.08
		2	Arumbakkam	SIDCO	Outright	1979	3.92
		3	Villivakkam	SIDCO	Outright	1979	2.04
		4	Kodungaiyur	SIDCO	Outright	1979	7.88
		5	Perungudi	Govt.	Lease	1974	112.55
		6	Thiru -vanmuyur	Govt.	Lease	1967	28.91
		7	Ambattur	Govt.	Lease	1963	1167.00
2.	Tiruvallur	8	Kakkalur	Govt.	Lease	1988	328.13
		9	Thirumazhisai	SIDCO	Lease	1988	160.85
		10	Gummidi -poondi	SIDCO	Outright	1988	25.24
		11	R.K.Pet	SIDCO	Outright	1996	8.15
		12	Vichoor	SIDCO	Outright	1994	59.16
		13	Thiru -mullaivoil (WIP)	SIDCO	Lease	2001	246.07
		14	Sengarai	SIDCO	Lease	2017	36.25
		15	Kaverirajapur am	SIDCO	Outright	2025	29.24
3.	Chengal-pet	16	Maraimalaina gar	SIDCO	Outright	1981	39.50
		17	Alathur (Pharma)	SIDCO	Lease	1984	150.49
		18	Alathur (Phase-II)	SIDCO	Outright	2022	67.96
		19	Thandarai	SIDCO	Lease	2017	44.30
		20	Kodur	SIDCO	Outright	2023	99.13
		21	Kadampadi	SIDCO	Outright	2025	21.07
4.	Kanchee -puram	22	Kanchee-puram	Govt.	Outright	1968	37.95
		23	Thirumudi -vakkam (Main)	SIDCO	Lease	1993	201.11
		24	Thirumudi -vakkam (Micro)	SIDCO	Lease	2013	5.26
		25	Thirumudi -vakkam (WIP)	SIDCO	Lease	2002	11.48
		26	Thirumudi -vakkam Phase-II	SIDCO	Lease	2017	22.44
		27	Vaiyayur	SIDCO	Outright	2025	42.70

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5.	Ranipet	28	Arakkonam	Govt.	Outright	1968	51.74
		29	Ranipet	SIDCO	Outright	1972	113.44
		30	Mukuntha -rayapuram	SIDCO	Outright	1980	86.19
		31	Vannivedu	SIDCO	Outright	1987	16.44
		32	Mulluvadi & Nagaleri	SIDCO	Outright	2020	20.00
6.	Thiru-pathur	33	Vinna -mangalam	SIDCO	Outright	2009	10.49
		34	Vaniyambadi	SIDCO	Outright	2013	7.08
		35	Minnur	SIDCO	Outright	2014	9.75
7.	Vellore	36	Katpadi	Govt.	Outright	1968	19.48
8.	Thiruvanna -malai	37	Thiruvanna -malai	Govt.	Outright	1968	15.56
		38	Periya -kolapadi	SIDCO	Outright	2022	57.18
9.	Krishna-giri	39	Krishnagiri	Govt.	Outright	1965	41.86
		40	Uthangarai	SIDCO	Outright	1995	41.28
		41	Hosur	Govt.	Lease	1974	12.34
		42	Hosur (SIPCOT)	SIDCO	Lease	1976	95.15
		43	Hosur (New)	SIDCO	Lease	1999	24.41
		44	Bargur	SIDCO	Outright	1995	31.64
		45	Pollupalli	SIDCO	Outright	2009	60.96
10.	Dharma-puri	46	Dharmapuri	Govt.	Outright	1965	20.28
		47	Kadagathur	SIDCO	Outright	2009	7.02
		48	Parvathana -halli	SIDCO	Outright	2014	29.89
		49	Echampadi	SIDCO	Outright	2017	50.46
11.	Salem	50	Salem	Govt.	Lease	1967	19.55
		51	Mettur	Govt.	Outright	1967	184.38
		52	Karuppur WIP	SIDCO	Outright	2004	51.24
		53	Veerapandi	SIDCO	Outright	1993	9.79
		54	Koranampatti	SIDCO	Outright	2017	16.61
		55	Soora -mangalam	Govt.	Lease	1986	27.50
		56	Periya -seeragapadi	SIDCO	Outright	2022	56.81
		57	Umayalpuram	SIDCO	Outright	2025	20.07
12.	Namakkal	58	Namakkal	SIDCO	Outright	1977	10.09
		59	Thiru -chengodu	SIDCO	Outright	1980	9.18
		60	Vettambadi	SIDCO	Outright	2014	15.34
		61	Rasam-palayam	SIDCO	Outright	2022	36.80

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13.	Erode	62	Erode	Govt.	Outright	1959	25.13
		63	Nanjai-uthukuli	SIDCO	Outright	1995	13.05
		64	Perundurai (Phase I)	SIDCO	Outright	2017	31.52
		65	Perundurai (Phase II)	SIDCO	Outright	2026	17.95
14.	Coimbatore	66	Kurichi	Govt.	Lease	1972	88.43
		67	Malumicham-patti	SIDCO	Lease	1994	36.14
		68	Kalapatti	Govt.	Outright	1972	13.46
15.	Tiruppur	69	Ganapathi palayam	SIDCO	Outright	1993	17.10
		70	Tiruppur	SIDCO	Outright	1978	10.14
		71	Gudi-mangalam	SIDCO	Outright	1992	6.74
		72	Rasatha-valasu	SIDCO	Outright	2011	51.80
16.	Nilgiris	73	Ooty	SIDCO	Outright	1981	10.65
17.	Cuddalore	74	Cuddalore	Govt.	Outright	1971	15.60
		75	Vadalur	Govt.	Outright	1972	26.22
		76	Periyanesalur	SIDCO	Outright	2015	90.80
		77	Virudha-chalam	Govt.	Outright	1961	41.53
		78	Kadampuliyur	SIDCO	Outright	2025	28.11
18.	Villupuram	79	Patanam	SIDCO	Outright	2014	60.57
		80	Venmaniathur	SIDCO	Outright	2011	36.82
		81	Tindivanam (Pharma)	SIDCO	Outright	2025	111.47
19.	Kalla-kurichi	82	Kattu-vannanjur	SIDCO	Outright	2014	42.00
		83	Asanur Phase I & II	SIDCO	Outright	2009 & 2015	212.83
20.	Peram-balur	84	Elambalur	SIDCO	Outright	2009	44.48
21.	Ariyalur	85	Mallur	SIDCO	Outright	2014	25.34
22.	Thanjavur	86	Thanjavur	Govt.	Outright	1968	21.94
		87	Kumbakonam	Govt.	Outright	1968	32.30
		88	Pillaiyarpatti	SIDCO	Outright	1974	10.96
		89	Nanjikkottai	SIDCO	Outright	1996	26.30
		90	Palayapatti	SIDCO	Outright	2012	104.37
23.	Naga-pattinam	91	Nagapattinam	Govt.	Outright	1966	20.97
24.	Mayiladu-thurai	92	Mayiladu-thurai	SIDCO	Outright	2009	12.56

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25.	Tiruchira -ppalli	93	Thuvakudi	Govt.	Outright	1974	478.38
		94	Thiru -verumbur	Govt.	Outright	1974	74.50
		95	Ariya -mangalam	Govt.	Outright	1974	17.64
		96	Kumbakudy	SIDCO	Outright	2009	24.46
		97	Valavanthan Kottai (WIP)	SIDCO	Outright	2003	51.70
		98	Valavanthan kottai	SIDCO	Outright	2008	179.02
		99	Manapparai	SIDCO	Outright	2023	131.09
26.	Karur	100	Karur (Vellalapatti)	Govt.	Outright	1974	26.63
		101	Karur (Athur)	SIDCO	Outright	1993	36.29
		102	Punjai -kalakurichi	SIDCO	Outright	2016	52.08
27.	Pudukottai	103	Pudukottai	Govt.	Outright	1974	23.18
		104	Pudukottai (SIPCOT)	SIDCO	Outright	1988	51.45
		105	Mathur	SIDCO	Outright	1975	26.00
		106	Mathur (New)	SIDCO	Outright	2013	19.92
		107	Alangudi	SIDCO	Outright	2022	36.47
28.	Theni	108	Theni	Govt.	Outright	1963	26.59
		109	Andipatti	SIDCO	Outright	1994	22.34
		110	Marikundu	SIDCO	Outright	2017	79.40
29.	Dindigul	111	Dindigul	Govt.	Outright	1965	39.91
		112	Batlagundu	Govt.	Outright	1965	16.26
30.	Madurai	113	K.Pudur	Govt.	Lease	1960	56.05
		114	Kappalur	Govt.	Lease	1966	535.64
		115	Kappalur WIP	SIDCO	Lease	2008	35.37
		116	Sakki -managalam	SIDCO	Outright	2023	31.88
31.	Ramanatha -puram	117	Paramakudi	SIDCO	Outright	1976	10.00
		118	Keelanagachi	SIDCO	Outright	1993	10.00
		119	Urapuli	SIDCO	Outright	1993	12.14
		120	Sakkarai -kottai	SIDCO	Outright	2017	100.00
32.	Sivaganga	121	Karaikudi	Govt.	Outright	1966	180.19
		122	Sivaganga	Govt.	Outright	1966	70.61
		123	Kirunga -kottai	SIDCO	Outright	1993	21.85

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33.	Virudhu-nagar	124	Virudhu-nagar	Govt.	Outright	1958	45.65
		125	Rajapalayam	SIDCO	Outright	1995	41.13
		126	Virudhu-nagar (Urban)	SIDCO	Outright	2013	37.54
34.	Thenkasi	127	Kadayanallur	SIDCO	Outright	1992	10.00
		128	Kurukkalpatti	SIDCO	Outright	2019	68.80
35.	Tiru-nelveli	129	Pettai	Govt.	Outright	1959	50.55
		130	Valliyur	SIDCO	Outright	2005	39.91
		131	Gangai-kondan	SIDCO	Outright	2020	14.90
		132	Muthur	SIDCO	Outright	2025	33.36
36.	Thoothu-kudi	133	Kovilpatti	Govt.	Outright	1962	85.54
		134	Thoothukudi (Ph-I)	SIDCO	Outright	1988	9.72
		135	Thoothukudi (Ph-II)	SIDCO	Outright	2003	14.46
		136	Pidaneri	SIDCO	Outright	2016	108.23
		137	Lingampatti	SIDCO	Outright	2025	60.00
37.	Kanya kumari	138	Konam	Govt.	Outright	1964	20.70
		139	Marthandam	Govt.	Outright	1964	7.50
38.	Thiru-varur	140	Vandampalai	SIDCO	Outright	2025	18.71
		141	Korukkai	SIDCO	Outright	2025	15.44
						Total	**9089.32**

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Annexure 2: Details of completed projects under MSE-CDP-CFCs

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Project Cost of CFC	GoI Grant	GoTN Grant	SPV Contri-bution	Bank Loan
1.	Wet Grinder Cluster, Coimbatore	2.88	0.99	0.17	1.73	0.00
2.	Sago & Starch Cluster, Salem	0.92	0.73	0.00	0.19	0.00
3.	Safety Matches Cluster, Gudiyatham, Vellore	1.56	0.86	0.11	0.25	0.35
4.	Safety Matches Cluster, Virudhunagar	1.56	0.86	0.11	0.25	0.35
5.	Safety Matches Cluster, Srivilliputhur	1.56	0.86	0.11	0.25	0.35
6.	Safety Matches Cluster, Sattur	1.56	0.86	0.11	0.25	0.35
7.	Safety Matches Cluster, Kazhugumalai, Thoothukudi	1.56	0.85	0.11	0.25	0.35
8.	Safety Matches Cluster, Kovilpatti, Thoothukudi	1.56	0.85	0.11	0.25	0.35
9.	Ceramic Cluster, Virudhachalam, Cuddalore	0.83	0.44	0.09	0.18	0.11
10.	Coir Cluster, Sivaganga	6.59	5.00	0.66	0.93	0.00
11.	Rice Mill Cluster, Keelapavoor, Tenkasi	6.91	4.66	0.69	1.46	0.10
12.	Auto components Cluster, Hosur	6.91	4.40	0.71	1.05	0.75
13.	Printing Cluster, Krishnagiri	11.73	9.64	1.00	1.08	0.00

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Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Project Cost of CFC	GoI Grant	GoTN Grant	SPV Contri-bution	Bank Loan
14.	Rice Mill Cluster, Alangulam, Tenkasi	7.87	5.50	0.79	0.84	0.74
15.	Steel Product Fabrication Cluster, Salem.	16.33	12.78	1.00	2.55	0.00
16.	Rice Mill Cluster, Thanjavur	2.12	1.00	0.40	0.21	0.50
17.	Plastic Cluster, Kancheepuram	14.85	10.27	1.00	2.58	1.00
18.	Printing Cluster, Sivakasi	13.15	7.68	0.91	1.80	2.76
19.	Gold Jewellery Cluster, Madurai	3.58	2.56	0.29	0.41	0.31
20.	Engineering Cluster, Paramakudi	4.99	3.74	0.23	0.54	0.48
21.	Stainless Steel Utensils cluster, Kumbakonam	1.26	0.99	0.08	0.20	0.00
22.	Garment Cluster (Women), Dhalavaipuram, Virudhunagar	1.04	0.74	0.09	0.21	0.00
23.	Coir Cluster, Erode	5.93	4.04	0.49	0.60	0.79
24.	Engineering Cluster, Ambattur	11.24	8.05	0.54	1.15	1.50
25.	Gold Jewellery Cluster, Tiruchirappalli	3.60	2.88	0.36	0.36	0.00
26.	Engineering Cluster, Ranipet	9.27	6.16	0.97	1.09	1.04
27.	Gate & Grill Cluster, Thirumullaivoyal, Tiruvallur	3.45	1.98	0.90	0.57	0.00
28.	Safety Match Cluster, O. Mettupatty, Virudhunagar	3.47	2.05	0.36	0.43	0.63
29.	Textile Knitting Cluster, Tiruppur	15.34	8.34	3.00	4.00	0.00

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Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Project Cost of CFC	GoI Grant	GoTN Grant	SPV Contri-bution	Bank Loan
30.	Weaving Cluster, Perundurai, Erode	18.68	9.63	1.87	7.18	0.00
31.	Furniture Cluster, Salem	14.46	10.67	1.89	1.90	0.00
32.	Print and Pack Products Cluster, Hosur, Krishnagiri	13.95	11.04	1.39	1.52	0.00
33.	Apparel Cluster, Tiruppur	16.25	8.57	3.00	4.68	0.00
34.	Fabrication Cluster (Agricultural Implementation), Elambalur, Perambalur.	12.18	9.31	1.22	1.25	0.40
35.	Sweater cluster (Women), Coonoor	2.84	2.27	0.28	0.28	0.00
36.	Printing Cluster, Salem	13.46	10.76	1.35	1.35	0.00
37.	Gold Jewellery Cluster, Chennai	10.32	8.26	1.03	1.03	0.00
38.	Gold Jewellery Cluster, Tirunelveli	7.48	5.99	0.75	0.75	0.00
Total		**273.24**	**186.26**	**28.17**	**45.60**	**13.21**

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Annexure 3: Details of ongoing projects under MSE-CDP – CFCs

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Cluster	Project Cost of CFC	GoI Grant	GoTN Grant	SPV Contri-bution	Bank Loan
1.	Power and Auto Loom Cluster, Salem	13.34	8.86	0.99	1.62	1.87
2.	Design Cluster, Tiruppur	14.67	9.79	1.47	3.41	0.00
3.	Power Loom Cluster, Palladam, Tiruppur	17.59	11.52	1.76	4.31	0.00
4.	Precision Tooling Cluster, Hosur, Krishnagiri	16.09	12.87	1.61	1.61	0.00
5.	Card & Board Printing Cluster, Thirupathur	13.58	10.72	1.36	1.50	0.00
6.	Gold Jewellery Cluster, Coimbatore	15.30	11.81	1.53	1.96	0.00
7.	Coir Cluster, Dindigul.	18.68	13.08	2.80	2.80	0.00
8.	Print Lam Cluster, Kancheepuram	31.42	18.00	6.00	7.42	0.00
9.	Printing Cluster, Thuraiyur, Tiruchirappalli	29.92	20.95	4.44	2.33	2.20
10.	Offset Printing and Book Binding Cluster, Perumanallu, Tiruppur	31.75	18.00	6.00	7.75	0
11.	Synthetic Textile Clothing Cluster, Karur	30.15	17.59	5.99	6.57	0
Total		**232.49**	**153.19**	**33.95**	**41.28**	**4.07**

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(Rs. In Thousands)

Heads of Account	Revised Estimate 2025-2026	Interim Budget Estimate 2026-2027	Revised Budget Estimate 2026-2027
2059 Public Works	12122	12122	12122
2851 Village and Small Industries	15639277	18975166	20967578
2852 Industries	454337	363559	366358
3402 Space Research	100000	1	1
3451 Secretariat – Economic Services	68084	72503	72503
4059 Capital Outlay on Public Works	10300	---	---
4070 Capital Outlay on Administrative Services	---	6	6
4851 Capital Outlay on Village and Small Industries	3	3	3
6851 Loans for Village and Small Industries	171510	1	1
7610 Loans to Government Servants etc.	5000	5000	5000
Total	**16460633**	**19428361**	**21423572**

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The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu chaired the meeting to review the schemes and activities of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department on 28.07.2026.



The Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Thiru.P.Mathan Raja, received the Best Performance award at National Level for Tamil Nadu in the Large States category under the PMFME Scheme from Thiru.Chirag Paswan, the Hon'ble Union Minister for Food Processing Industries, Government of India.



The Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Thiru.P.Mathan Raja chaired the review meeting of the Department on 19.08.2026.



96 MoUs worth Rs.23.24 crore were exchanged at the International Reverse Buyer–Seller Meet held in Karur on July 30 and 31, 2026, in the presence of Thiru.P.Mathan Raja, Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department.



The Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Thiru.P.Mathan Raja reviewed the activities of Tamil Nadu Coir Business Development Corporation (TANCOIR) at Coimbatore.



The Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Thiru.P.Mathan Raja has released a subsidy of Rs.2.64 lakh under Annal Ambedkar Business Champions Scheme for starting Digital Printing activity in Ramanathapuram District.



The Hon'ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Thiru.P.Mathan Raja has released a subsidy of Rs.1.50 lakh under Tamil Nadu Women Entrepreneur Empowerment Scheme for starting clinical Laboratory in Thoothukudi District.

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