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Executive Summary

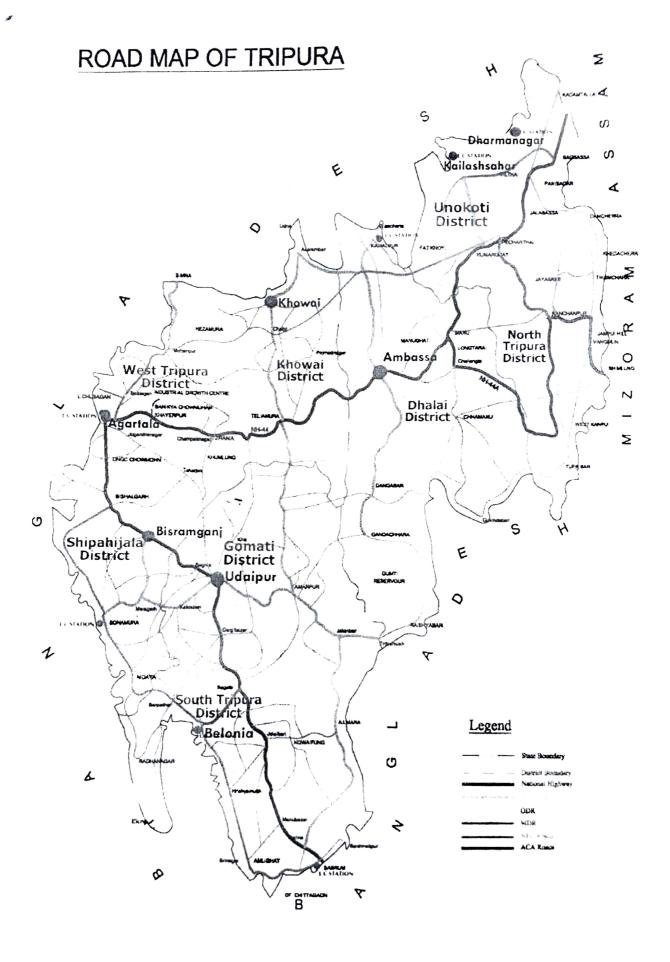
The logistic sector is the backbone of the economic growth. The growth of many other sectors depends on this sector and logistics becomes very important to the state of Tripura because of its geographical location. As the sector involves many departments and agencies, an integrated policy is required for effective coordination.

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The components of the policy includes fiscal incentives, granting the Industry Status to the Logistic Sector, Land Allotment Assistance, Standardization and developing sectorial needs and policy for each mode of transport and finally use of modern technology for better monitoring and invention as and when required.

The Department of Industries & Commerce will work as the Nodal Department to implement the integrated logistics policy. The assessment of the policy will be done every year. The nodal department shall take inputs from all the departments and industries at regular intervals, assess the impact on the policy and introduce changes as required.



1 Introduction

Logistics play an important role in the economic growth and economic development of the State and thus are vital in generating employment and attract investments. However as logistics sector involves many departments and agencies, an integrated policy is required for effective coordination. Also there is an urgent need to connect all various modes of transport for seamless and efficient connectivity to optimise resources.

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2 Vision

"To develop an integrated logistic ecosystem in the State by augmenting the existing logistic infrastructure, streamlining the development of all industrial estates and economic zones, and thereby promoting employment and economic development of the State."

3 Objectives of the policy

With the intent of developing and establishing the integrated, efficient, reliable, cost-effective and multi modal logistics networks, the Tripura Integrated Logistics Policy envisages:

- 1. To efficiently utilise and optimise the existing logistical infrastructure facilities.
- 2. To develop the existing and new logistical infrastructure and allied industries/ services based on forecasted needs of the State.
- 3. To develop storage and warehousing facilities at various strategic locations within the State.
- 4. To develop support infrastructure and multi-modal integration for providers of logistics services provision for hard and soft support infrastructure.
- 5. To develop Air Freight Stations (AFS) and Air Cargo Complexes (ACC) at strategic locations.
- 6. To develop truck terminals, driver rest areas and parking spaces. To develop dry-ports at various custom points for rail, road maritime logistical operations.
- 7. To support the growth of e-commerce.
- 8. To create a single point of reference for all logistics related matters in the State.
- 9. To promote private sector participation for logistics capacity building and development.
- 10.To develop the Gateway of North East with Bangladesh, Myanmar, Thailand and act as a bridge to ASEAN and BIMSTEC.

4 Components of the Policy

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transport and finally use of modern technology for better monitoring and invention as and when required.

4.1 Procurement of Land

- a) It is proposed that approximately 30ft land may be acquired along with the National High Way and State High Way for the Logistic related infrastructure that may reduce the cost and bring in better competitiveness of the manufacturing in the State. Wherever the land bank is not utilized the same can be auctioned at a later date to realise the true potential.
- b) Development of the road and rail infrastructure in the State is a necessity. In existing Rail stations additional land for developing warehouses facilities, storage facilities, movement through other modesof transport etc. would help in giving the boost to the existing infrastructure and make the Industry more competitive. In the logistics sector land use policy helps reduce the cost of setting up of units. The conversion of agricultural land to develop logistics related infrastructure will be easier thereby improving feasibility of perfect and ensuring healthy returns for investors and it may be provided from proposed Industrial land bank near National Highway and State High Way.
- c) Through the Rail Station, Land Custom Station, Multi-modal Transport Station cannot be realized till a wider corridor for the movement of Trucks, Cargo Vehicles are not facilitated. Accordingly, this policy aims to study and propose procurement of land in standardization manner for development of approach roads and Rail lines in the existing Rail Stations namely at Agartala, Jirania, Dharmanagar, Sabroom, Udaipur.

d) Aminimum 30 ft of either side of the roads and 10 % in the Industrial Estates may be set aside to have aneco system for efficient logistic movement through the warehouses to the National High Way.

4.2 <u>Creation of Aggregation Hubs</u>

The concerned Department shall identify strategic, commodity-specific and / or market-specific locations to establish aggregation hubs. The locations will be identified based at the district/ village/clusters of villages level, and in some cases, evolving around specific commodities and also shall ensure the availability of cold storage/ warehousing at the aggregation hubs based on the commodities (perishable and semi-perishable). The aggregation hubs shall also be used as a centre for storage of perishable and non-perishable commodities.

The proposal to develop integrated Logistic Park through PPP, Integrated Check post including warehouse and enhancing multimodal transport and provide necessary infrastructure around the strategic location would be seen by this committee.

4.3 Development of truck terminals and driver resting facilities:

One of the key issues faced by transportation industry (also highlighted in LEADS survey) is availability of hygienic resting facility for drivers. Development of comprehensive transport zones (near the national and state highway) and parking terminals on key freight routes across expressways, NH, SH, investment zones and industrial corridors will facilitate better working environment for transportation industry. These comprehensive transport zones and terminals will have common facilities for goods vehicles such as workshops, canteens, res-houses, amenity services, banks etc. Transport Department, Government of Tripura has already taken

a proposal of the above mentioned amenities for the drivers near the national and state highway and also in logistic parks.

ADB, World Bank and Ministry of DONER have already formulated a comprehensive report on movement of goods and services in the North Eastern Region. The best practices of the Ministry and ADB would be incorporated in the policy. Such as development of Centre of Excellence and making Green Logistic Policy for reducing carbon emissions and use of modern technology to have pipelines etc. Herein the Department of Industry and Commerce has already taken the lead to have comprehensive gas distribution policy. Further to create the Centre of Excellence where logistic sector projects and best practices will be identified in the State. A special focus would be made to develop the thrust sectors in the State.

4.4 Thrust Sector

Based on comparative advantage of the State in terms of resource endowments, and in line with the industrial base of the State, the focus sectors for manufacturing from the State would include, among others,

- 1. Tea, Rubber, bamboo, Agar wood products, plastic waste, municipal waste agro waste,.
- 2. Agro and allied products, Food Processing, Floriculture, Organic Farming, Bamboo products, Ornamental fishes.
- 3. Sericulture, bamboo, traditional Handloom and Handicraft product.
- 4. Information Technology related products like IT/ITES, Financial Services, Fin Tec, BOP, e-commerce etc.
- Tourism promoting activity (water sports, ropeway, adventure and leisure sports, flow ting restaurant) including medical tourism, Hospitality and well ness.
- 6. Healthcare and Education and

- 7. Skill development and development of women entrepreneurship.
- 8. EV Architecture.

4.5 Fiscal Incentives

Fiscal incentives or developing logistics infrastructure are to be given as per Tripura investment promotion incentive scheme (TIIPIS) 2022 (presently applicable up to March 2027)

The fiscal incentives in the Logistic sector, like in manufacturing would be extended as infrastructure sector. Further as and when Government of India releases any subsidy for the development of the North East the same will be extended to the Logistic Sector.

4.6 Ease of Doing Business:

- a) The Government of Tripura has been promoting Ease of Doing business by effecting policy and regulatory changes to promote private sector growth and attracting investment in the State. A number of measures have been taken up by the government to provide an environment conducive to set up new businesses and do business in Tripura by creating single window clearance portalincorporating time bound delivery of public services, facilitating fast track statutory clearances, simplifying of license and inspection and enabling entrepreneurs to file single and common application form for obtaining all approvals for setting up of business.
- b) Help desk for Warehouse/Logistics Parks will be included in Single window clearance. Smart Enforcement by transport, police, mining, and forest department based on technology assisted risk assessments.

4.7 Monitoring Committees

- a) Core Committee: To oversee the development of the logistic sector, improving multi-modal transport and stream line the transport sector, a core committee is formed and will be headed by Chief Secretary. The other members are mentioned below
 - 1) Secretary, Home Department
 - 2) Secretary, Transport Department.
 - 3) Secretary, Industry and Commerce Department.
 - 4) Secretary, Agriculture & Horticulture Department
 - 5) Secretary, PWD Department.
 - 6) Secretary, Urban Development Department.
 - 7) Secretary, Revenue Department.
 - 8) Secretary, Planning Department.

This committee—would address issues to have a seamless movement and faster clearances and setting aside the resources for the development of the logistic park. The Committee would meet to address bottlenecks and will act as Logistic crisis management. The committee can ask the participation of the private sector and deliberate on the policies as and when required. The meeting of the committee would be held every quarterly for monitoring the status of PM-Gatishakti.

- b) WarehousingandLogisticsParks Sub Committee: Led by Secretary Industry and Commerce Department with the following members.
 - 1) Secretary, Revenue department
 - 2) Secretary, Food department
 - 3) Secretary, Agriculture & Horticulture Department
 - 4) Secretary, Transport department
 - 5) Secretary, PWD department

6) Any other department / agency as required for the specific issue.

This committee will be monitoring the warehouse approvals through single-window mechanism, drive the growth of logistic hubs and also coordinate with central agencies on all relevant programs and schemes

- c) RoadTransport Sub Committee led by Secretary, Transport

 Department with the following members
 - 1) Secretary, Revenue department
 - 2) Secretary, Home department
 - 3) Additional PCCF
 - 4) Any other department / agency as required for the specific issue.

The committee will be looking at all issues related to road transport including the truck agglomeration, and road safety etc.

- d) International TradeSub Committeeledby Secretary, Industries & Commerce department with the following members
 - 1) Secretary, Home department
 - 2) Secretary Transport
 - 3) IG, BSF
 - 4) Representative of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs
 - 5) Representative of Land Ports Authority
 - 6) Any other department / agency as required for the specific issue.

The committee will be looking at all issues related to coordination of trans border trade and also drive the upgradation of border haats.

5 Policy Period

This policy shall come into force with effect from the date of its notification and shall remain valid for a period of 5 (five) years or till the declaration of a new or revised policy, whichever is earlier.

6 Nodal Department

The Department of Industries & Commerce will work as the Nodal Department to implement the integrated logistics policy. The Department of Industries & Commerce will be referred as the 'Nodal Department' in this policy document.

7 Assessment of the Policy and Amendments

The assessment of the policy will be done every year. The nodal department shall take inputs from all the departments at macro and micro level and appraise the core-committee on the impact of the policy and decisions by the core-committee will be implemented accordingly.

If there are any decisions that require the amendment of the policy, then the nodal department shall take it up through the approval of the State Cabinet.

8 Operational Guidelines

Operational guidelines including application forms, procedures, checklist, etc. for availing various incentives will be issued separately.

Annexure: Gist of the provisions of incentive/ subsidy

Logistics infrastructure are to be given as per Tripura investment promotion incentive scheme (TIIPIS) 2022 (presently applicable up to March 2027)

sl.	Provisions of	Details of the Provisions
No	Subsidy	
1	Capital Investment	a) Non-Thrust Sector MSMEs: 30% of fixed
	Subsidy	capital investment with ceiling of Rs.100 Lakhs
		per enterprise. b) Thrust Sector MSMEs: 40% of
		fixed capital investment with ceiling of Rs.125
		Lakhs per enterprise. c) Additional Subsidy for
		ST/ SC/ PH/ Women enterprises @30%o or 40%
		within the upper ceiling of Rs.100 Lakhs/ 125
	*	Lakhs. d) For Large units @30o/o or 4ooh of
		investment on Land & Building with upper
		ceiling of subsidy Rs.200 Lakhs. e) For Private
		infrastructure Developer for creation of
		industrial infrastructure, subsidy will be @30%
		with upper ceiling of Rs.500 Lakhs.
2	Procurement	a) 15% Procurement Preference to locai
	Preference	manufacturer on all purchases through tenders
		by State Government Agencies on products
		manufactured in Tripura, subject to 20%0 value
		addition within State. b) Local enterprises having
		capacity of partial supply of the tendered

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		quantity/value shall be allowed to participate in
		tender process for minimum 40o/o of the
		tendered quantity, subject to 20Vo value
		addition within State.
3	Industrial	a) 100% reimbursement of net amount of SGST
	Promotion Subsidy	actually paid by an enterprise. b) Non-Thrust
		Sector with an overall ceiling of Rs.80 Lakhs per
		enterprise per annum. c) For Thrust sector with
		an overall ceiling of Rs.125 Lakhs per enterprise
		per annum. d) Aggregating enterprise limit of
		entitlement of an for 5 years shall not be
		exceedin to 150% value of investment Page 26
		of 29 Annexure-II 2 made in plant &
	-	machinery.
4	Power charges	a) Power charges will be provided to industrial
		units having connected load of above 20HP @
		Rs.5.00 per unit without any upper ceiling. b)
		Industrial units having connected load up to 20
		HP shali be reimbursed @ 250/o of the power
		charges actually paid: e) For Non-Thrust Sector
		with an overall ceiling of Rs.15 Lakhs per
		enterprise per annum, I) For Thrust sector with
		an overall ceiling of Rs.25 Lakhs per enterprise
		per annum
5	Partial	a) For Non-Thrust Sector: 4o/o reimbursement
	Reimbursement of	of interest paid on Term loan with upper ceiling
	Interest on Term	of Rs.5.00 Lakhs per enterprise per annum. b)
	Loans	For Thrust sector: 570 reimbursement of

		interest paid on Term loan with upper ceiling of
		Rs.12.00 Lakhs per enterprise per annum
6	100%	a) Full reimbursement of fees/ charges for
	Reimbursement of	
	charges/ fees for	
	obtaining Standard	
	Certification/	time full reimbursement of fees payable for
	Technology Know	getting Technical know-how/ Technology
	0,	Transfer from any recognized national/
		international organizations.
7	Earnest Money and	Land manufacturar from
•	Bid Security	a - Parana P Did Socurity
	Deposits	Deposits on tenders floated by State
	~	Government Agencies for procurement of
		goods. b) Local service sector entrepreneurs
		(excluding works contract & IT/ ITes) eligible for
		State Capitai Investment Subsidy under TIIPIS,
		2022 sh.all also be allowed for the said benefit.
8	Employment Cost	1007o reimbursement of expenditure to MSMEs
	Subsidy (For Thrust	on account of contribution made towards
	Sector MSMEs onlyf	Employee's Provident Fund and Employee's
		State Insurance Scheme for a period of 5 years
		on employment of 20 or more persons who are
		domicile of the State
9	Subsidy on fees	IOOV reimbursement for one time guarantee
	paid for Credit	fees & service fees paid every year by Micro
	Guarantee Trust	&Small enterprises for CGTMSE coverage taken

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	Fund for Micro &	an eart Brunted by Baliks/ NBFCS
	Small Enterprises	
	(CGTMSE)	
10	Export Promotion	a'1 lOok reimbursement of value of goods
	Subsidy	exported to Bangladesh through the Land
		Custom Stations in the State, subject to an upper
		ceiling of Rs. 50 Lakhs per annum. b) It is
		applicable only for the items manufactured in
		the State subject to an enterprise shall have to
		achieve at least 20o/o value addition within the
		State
11	Subsidy for	a) 50% reimbursement of the expenditure
	participation in	incurred for travelling expenses of one person
	fares and	and transportation of goods to participate in
	exhibitions (Thrust	State & National level fares subject to an upper
	Sector only)	ceiling of Rs.1.00 Lakhs for each participation &
		maximum participation of 2 fares in a year. b)
		For participation in International Level fares
		prior approval of the appropriate authority is to
		be obtained.
12	State Transport	a) 50% reimbursement of transportation cost of
	Subsidy	secondary raw materials for local resource based
	i	industry and raw materials required for
	1	manufacturing of packaging materials in the
	ı	packaging industries in the State. b) Transport
	5	Subsidy sha11 be provided for transportation of
	r	raw materials from the nearest railway station of
	s	seller to the nearest railway station of the buyer

		as per the Railway Standard Parcel Rate.
13	Operational Subsidy	New eligible industrial unit availed fixed capital
	to industrial units	investment subsidy during the scheme period
s.		from any subsidy scheme of State/ Central
		Government will be provided all operational
		subsidy under this scheme.
14	Additional subsidy/	r) MSMEs having Registration under Udyam
	incentive to ZED	Portal of MSME and obtained ZED Certification
	Certified industrial	from the Ministry of MSME will be provided one
	Enterprises	time;r.dditional subsidy. b) Industrial enterprises
		with investment in to Rs.1.00 Cr t4 Plant and
		Machinery up Page 28 of 29 will be provided
		Rs.2.00 Lakhs per enterprise. c) Industrial
		enterprises with investment in Plant and
		Machinery from Rs.1.00 Cr to 10 Cr. will be
		provided Rs.5.00 Lakhs per enterprise.d)
		Industrial enterprises with investment in Plant
		and Machinery above Rs.1.00 Cr.will be provided
		Rs.10.00 Lakhs per enterprise.
15	Special Incentives	(i) Industrial Promotion Subsidy will be provided
	to industrial	@ 25% of Goods and Services Tax (net of input
	enterprises	tax) actually paid after 5 years of operation for
	continue to operate	further period of 5 years subject to the condition
	for 5 year	that the aggregate payment of subsidy to any
		industrial enterprise from the date of
		commencement shall no exceed 150% of
		investment in plant & machinery. (ii) Power
		charges will be provided to industrial units

having connected load above 20HP @ Rs.5.00 per unit without any upper ceiling. (iii) 25 %partial reimbursement of power charges will be provided to industrial units having connected load up to 20HP with a ceiling of Rs.15.00 Lakhs & Rs.25 Lakhs for non-thrust & thrust sector enterprises respectively. year per Subsidy:SO% (iv)Employment Cost contribution employer reimbursement of towards payment of EPF and ESI after 5 years of operation.