

PM-23 Development of Kandi Areas (13th Finance Commission)

Description and Objective: Recognizing the specific issues and local needs , 13th Finance Commission has recommended a grant-in-aid of Rs.250.00 Cr for the development of kandi areas in the State during 2011-15 . The main objective of the grant is :-

“Development of Kandi areas, including funds for maintenance of infrastructure constructed earlier and measures for soil conservation and water harvesting”.

13th Finance Commission has recommended a grant of Rs.250 crore for development of Kandi Area for the next four years ie from 2011-12 to 2014-15 – Rs.62.50 crore per year. The Department of Finance, Govt. of Punjab, vide its letter dated 5.9.2011, sent the detailed proposal of Rs.62.50 crore, after getting it approved from the State High Level Committee, to the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India. The Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India has released this amount to the State Government. An amount of Rs. 62.50 Cr was provided in the Annual Plan 2011-12. During 2011-12 an amount of Rs. 62.50 Cr was sanctioned under Plan Scheme PM-23 Development of Kandi Areas (13th F.C.) out of which Rs. 28.81 Cr. released from Treasury during 2011-12. Balance Amount of Rs 33.69 Cr has been sanctioned in 2012-13. An amount of Rs. 62.50 Cr is being provided in the Annual Plan 2012-13. The proposals for 2012-13 are still awaited from districts.