# State Planning Machinery in Rajasthan

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- ▶ Meeting of National Development Council, Inter-State Council & Northern Zonal Council and related matters
- Manpower and employment planning
- Monitoring of Twenty Point Programme
- Administration of the State Services of -
- Economics & Statistics Services
- **Evaluation Organisation**
- **Establishment work of the State Service Officers of these services posted in various departments**

#### Directorate of Economics and Statistics

- The Directorate of Economics and Statistics was established in the year 1956 as the Principal Statistical Organisation in the State to feed the planning needs. Apart from this, Statistical cells in various State Government departments are also imparting statistical activities in the respective departments. The Directorate also keeps close liaison with the statistical organizations of the Central Government in statistical matters.
- ► This Directorate regularly publishes many economic data or statistics documents like- Economic Review, Basic Statistics, Annual Vital Report, Census of State Employees, Annul Survey of Industries, Budget at a Glance, Statistical Abstract, Socio-Economic Statistics, District Statistical Outline etc.

## State Evaluation Organisation

The State Evaluation Organisation was set up in the State on 1st April, 1960 with the objective of undertaking evaluation of Panchayati Raj and Community Development Programme, and further assigned the task of making evaluation of development schemes/ projects initiated under different Five Year Plans. Presently it is working as an integral part of the State Planning Machinery and conduct the evaluation studies on various subjects, schemes, projects and programmers as required by the State Government as well as by the Central Government.

# Chief Minister's Rajasthan Economic Transformation Advisory Council

- In 2014, the Chief Minister Advisory Board was constituted in place of State Planning Board which was renamed as 'Chief Minister's Rajasthan Economic Transformation Advisory Council' in March, 2020.
- Rechristened Rajasthan Economic Transformation Advisory Council, the panel, to be chaired by the Chief Minister, also comprises noted economist Arvind Mayaram, who will be its vice chairman.
- ► The council will also be mandated to advise the Chief Minister on job creation in the State, besides monitoring effective implementation of the health and educational policies and programmes of the government.

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- ► The council will have the State Chief Secretary, Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) and the Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister as its ex-officio members.
- ▶ Other members of the council include economists Rathin Roy and Ashok Gulati, businessmen Anil Agrawal and Laxmi Niwas Mittal, former banker Naina Lal Kidwai and actress Nandita Das.
- ▶ With a provision to hold at least one meeting every six months, the council will also review various economic policies related issues of the State. The council will also have a separate working group whose members will be nominated by the Chief Minister.