Other components of MPF Scheme Mega City Policing

- The MHA has introduced a new concept of Mega City Policing as a sub-Plan under the MPF Scheme from the year 2005-06 onwards.
- It covers seven cities, namely, Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad,
 Chennai, Delhi, Kolkata and Ahmadabad.

Financial assistance is given to mega cities for procurement of modern and innovative equipment like Night Vision Devices, GPS/GIS for dial 100 system and patrol cars, surveillance camera systems, CCTV systems, security equipments like portable x-ray machines, vehicle scanner, vehicle number plate identification system, cyber patrol and communication monitoring system, integrated GIS based automated vehicle tracking and management system, etc.

The Mega Cities are asked to prepare individual, city specific plans for consideration of the Government every year. The Plan should be based on a study on specific problem areas of Mega City Policing including details of demographic growth pattern, special problems faced in policing in large urban areas and crime investigation, traffic management, infrastructure available in terms of modern control rooms, digital radio trunking, communication system, PCR van network etc.

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The funds released during the period 2005-06 to 2008-09 to the concerned States for Mega City Policing is given below :-

Rs. in crore

SI.	Mega City	Central funds released						
No.								
		2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09			
1.	Ahmedabad	3.00	8.01	8.99	2.70			
2.	Bangalore	3.00	12.99	9.94	10.00			
3.	Chennai	4.00	20.90	15.00	14.65			
4.	Hyderabad	3.00	12.85	2.19	3.81			
5.	Kolkatta	4.00	14.68	13.70	14.50			
6.	Mumbai	5.00	27.00	20.00	22.44			
	Total	22.00	96.43	69.82	68.10			

Desert Policing

- Desert policing is also a new concept, which has been started in the Police Modernization Scheme from 2005-06.
- > Desert Policing covers the States of Gujarat and Rajasthan.
- The problems regarding policing in the large and scattered desert area, especially with regard to problems in investigation, mobility, communication and requirement of

special equipments are given emphasis under the Desert Policing initiative.

Expenditure for this component is also met out of the funds allocated under the MPF Scheme for these States. During the last four years the funds released for desert

policing are given below:-

States	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Gujarat	2.00	2.00	1.50	1.50
Rajasthan	3.00	12.00	9.00	5.99
Total	5.00	14.00	10.50	7.49

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Strengthening of Special Branches

- In view the crucial role of the Special Branches/Intelligence set up in the States and Union Territories, particularly in the context terrorist threats, the Ministry has laid emphasis on it and State Governments were advised to earmark up to 5% of the total funds allocated yearly under MPF Scheme towards strengthening of their Special Branches in terms of modern equipment and gadgetry for communication etc.
- It has also been emphasized that the States should take action to suitably enhance the manpower in the Special Branches from their own resources.

Physical achievement under MPF Scheme

- From 2005-06 onwards the year-wise allocation and release of funds has been progressing steadily.
- As regards physical achievements, MPF Scheme has made impact in all the States in the form of construction of police stations/ outposts, construction of houses, for lower police personnel, mobility, weaponry and security equipment thereby enhancing the performance and the satisfaction level of the State Police Forces.
