

7. HIMACHAL PRADESH

LEGAL AID

Legal aid including TA-DA to witnesses is provided free of cost by the Legal Aid Board of the State Government. A provision of Rs. 8 lakhs was made in the budget for this purpose.

RELIEF MEASURES

During 1998-99 Rs.6.24 lakhs were made available in the budget for providing relief to victims of atrocities.

ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY

Officers of the rank of Addl Distt Magistrate have been designated as Special Officers and Dy.S.P. has been appointed as Investigating Officers under the Act in each district.

COMIITTEE

State level Vigilance and Grievance Redressal Committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of Chief Minister of the State. District Level Committees have been functioning under the chairmanship of District Magistrate.

SURVEY

Special Cell in the Police headquarters supervises the progress of registration of cases under the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989. No specific area has been identified as atrocity prone area in Himachal Pradesh as number of cases are very few.