Nali-kali:
Nali-Kali was introduced in 1995 with the support of UNICEF in HD kote on pilot basis. The whole initiative started when 15 teachers from HD Kote taluk visited Rishi Valley, Madanapalli, in Chittor district. When the teachers have observed the friendly, warm and trusting atmosphere in the class rooms, they got motivated to implement this methodology on pilot basis in HD Kote Taluk with the technical support from the Resource persons from Rishi Valley.

RATIONALE:
Nali-kali curriculum included Kannada, Maths and EVS as in most primary schools of the country. The curriculum from classes’ I-IV was seen as a continuum and not compartmentalized into class wise content areas. There was scope for every child to learn at its own pace and follow its own learning ladder. When any child drops at a point, there is scope for the re-entry in the learning ladder at the point where it left off without any humiliation. There is flexibility in curriculum and the text books are replaced by the learning cards which were carefully designed keeping in view the mental growth of children. The teacher’s role was transformed into Facilitators and Educators as they owned the new approach were involved in the creation of materials. There was lot of flexibility and scope to shift the units into different levels and grades depending on the local situations and circumstances. The evaluation is built in which is continuous and comprehensive and non-threatening.
The class room management is more democratic, attractive and above all there is lot of scope for collaborative learning and working together. Hence Nali-kali is extended to all the schools in the State from the academic year 2009-10 which will be continued for classes 1 to 3 for the current academic year 2013-14. Since the Nali-kali cards, readers and work books need revision and also there is a huge demand from teachers to supply cards for enhancing the communication skills in English, it is proposed for the revision and printing of Nali-kali cards for Kannada medium schools for all the schools in the State.
Extension of Nali-kali Urdu to all the schools across the State:

Nali-kali in Urdu medium schools was introduced on pilot basis in 800 schools in 22 blocks. Based on the reports received from the schools and also the demand from the minority community to extend the Nali-kali in all the Urdu schools across the State, the Government of Karnataka has taken a decision to extend the Nali-kali programme for classes 1 and 2 across the State. Hence, all the Urdu schools are to be provided with a set of English cards. Along with this it is proposed to revise the Nali-kali Urdu cards in line with Kannada cards. The printing and supply could be done in the academic year 2014-15.