ADVENTURE AND NATURE STUDY CAMPS:

The main aims of all round personality development among the school going children of 7th & 8th (up gradation below 14 yrs) Classes. The Adventure and Nature Study Camps were intitiated in the state for the first time in the year 2010-11 and the same has been continued with the same was executed through SPO in collaboration with General Thimmayya National Adventure Academy which is part of Dept of Sports and Youth Services.

VISION OF THE PROGRAMME:

To make children of Karnataka excel and make mark in the field of adventure sports as part of extracurricular activity which helps shaping of wholesome personality by stirring their emotional intelligence.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PROGRAM:

This is an activity carved under SC/ST innovation targeting 13 and 14 age group children. The activity would boost the confidence level participation child in order to meet the vision in a small way. It is a small effort in the direction of the vision which is being carried out for the first time in the year 2010-11. The major hurdle in covering all the children is the fund allocation & limited personal in the field of Adventure sports. As an inbuilt activity within adventure activity is the Nature study which makes the child connects to the curriculum.

BOUNDARY PARTNERS OF THE PROGRAM:

1. The programmes involve the facilitator organization which is SSA-SPO and Department Of Sports and Youth Services which in turn facilitated by GENERAL THIMMAIAH NATIONAL ACADEMY OF ADVENTURE. State facilitates by issuing guidelines, co-ordination and execution by being part of the camps and also
finances mobilization, co-ordination with the district educational administration towards participation.

2. The block level committee comprises of DYPC, BRC of the block as member secretary, selected HM of HPS selected HM of UHPS, selected 2 CRP’s educational standing committee member of Taluk Panchayat, representative of the SDMC network and Taluk Physical Education Officer. The function of this committee is the screening of the list as recommended by cluster.

3. At the cluster level, a committee comprising CRP as member secretary, selected HM of the cluster, BRP representative from the block, CAC member of the GP, representative of the SDMC network from the screening of the list as recommended by the school within the cluster.

4. At the school level, a committee comprising of HM as member secretary, SDMC member, physical education teacher and CRP would select the children based on the criteria.

Finally, the people representative including Chief Minister and Education Minister are also involved in inauguration and valedictory of the program.

OUTCOMES:

Methodology and guidelines are clear. The resource personal trained in Adventure sports and Nature conservation are in limited number and required in the ratio of 1 child with 5 to 10 facilitators. Hence, execution needs to be done carefully. Trained and orientation with the academic contribution with respect to vision needs to be evolved.

ELIGIBILITY CONDITION:

All children who are considered to be winners or participants in block level, district, state and national individual sports/games.
REVIEW STRATEGY ADOPTED FOR THE PROGRAMME:

The review of the activity is also carried out by the district administration as the district education administration and the SSA project staff would be responsible in assessing the programme effectiveness. The experience sharing by the children and teacher who undergo the programme would communication to all the counterparts.

SSA AS AN ORGANISATION PRACTICES THE FOLLOWING PROCESS:

Managerial support, participatory consultative decision making, in time execution of the program except for the formal inauguration and valedictory as planned.

Objectives of the Camp:

1. To inculcate the spirit of adventurous, team spirit & integrity and build confidence amongst students.
2. To create awareness about the natural resources including Flora & Fauna.
3. To introduce new Adventurous Sports to bring healthy hobbies among youth and create opportunity to mould them into responsible citizens.
4. Through adventure sports, facilitate healthy hobbies and mould them into respective citizens.
5. Environmental conservation basics is also imbibed by the children during adventure camp

The activities that are carried out during Adventure and Nature study camp are as follows:

1. Rappelling
2. Trekking
3. Parasailing
4. Bouldering
5. Zip line
6. Rock climbing
7. Tyro line traverse
8. Camping (pitching tents and staying for a night in the wilderness)

**Water sports like :**

1. Canoeing
2. Kayaking
3. Still water rafting
4. Banana boating.
Children participating in various Adventures activities during the camps held at different centres