Proceedings of the 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Samithi held on 25.08.2008 at 12.00 noon in the conference hall of the office of the State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Bangalore.

Members Present is given in the annexure.

Sri. Selva Kumar.S, State Project Director, SSA welcomed the members.

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There were no comments from the members on the proceedings of the previous meeting held on 14th May 2008. The house confirmed the proceedings of the previous meeting.

**Decision: E.C confirmed the proceedings.**

Agenda 1(b)

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The State Project Director explained the action taken on the proceedings of the 21st E.C. meeting. The committee noted the action taken on the proceedings and further action was suggested on the following points-

2.1 The Deputy Director, Planning, Office of the Commissioner for Public Instruction, would explore the GIS database and develop a school mapping to locate a school in such a way that it is accessible to all neighbouring villages in order to address issues of single teacher school and quality education in those schools.

2.2 The monitoring system of “Ashakirana” centres must be strengthened as this is a major programme under OOSC strategies for potential dropouts.

2.3 The Chairperson agreed to take up the matter at Government level and explore the possibility of dubbing the Hindi film “Tare Zamin Par” into Kannada language and using the film for in-service Teachers Training Programmes, by requesting the Chairperson of the State Film Chambers of Commerce.

**Decision: EC noted the action on the proceedings of the previous meeting in respect of sl.no 1, 3 and 4 and suggested further action as above. In respect of others namely sl.no.2, 5 and 6, EC read and recorded the action taken.**
The State Project Director presented the activity wise progress of the approved activities of 2008-09 as on 31st July, 2008. The following observations were made and suggestions were given.

3.1 The slow progress of civil work activities was attributed to the Contract Engineers who have either not reported to duty or have not been posted by the concerned agency. Gulbarga and Shimoga districts have selected Engineers at the district level and hence were able to handle these issues efficiently. SPD was asked to examine on this aspect and to permit the districts with such problem for appointing Engineers at the District level, wherever feasible.

3.2 Low financial progress was observed under the approved activity of construction of Additional Class Rooms. The SPD was asked to workout the time frame for convening of Block Implementation Committee and District Implementation Committee at Block and District levels for the implementation of the approved activities under AWP&B and submit a proposal to Government for approval. Also, it was suggested to SPD to contact the CEOs of the concerned Zilla Panchayats to expedite the process and conduct DIC meeting at the earliest.

3.3 The Director, DSERT was asked to plan for 100% achievement of Teachers Training during the year 2008-09, i.e., 17 Training days and also to take appropriate measures for the implementation of Government Order regarding conducting of In-service Teachers Training only during vacation and not to conduct any training on working days. The Chairperson directed the Director, DSERT, particularly to monitor the actual implementation of Nali-Kali programme in the classrooms by the trained teachers.

3.4 The Chairperson expressed the concern towards the outcomes of the efforts made by the state through various innovative learning enhancement programmes. The Chairperson suggested to initiate study to ascertain the programmes to reduce gaps in various capacities and their effects there on. It was also suggested to take the assistance of Prof. Govinda, NUEPA to initiate this study.

Decision: The achievement upto July 2008 was reviewed and the above suggestions given are to be considered during implementation of programmes.

Agenda No.3

4.1 The Director, DSERT explained that the proposals for purchase of Cameras and other equipments for the Studios at DSERT, were of greater importance for the improved Audio and Video Quality for the
transmission of Satellite based programmes. MHRD had sent a comment that the Government of India does not support studio cost. EC decided to send a proposal with proper justifications to MHRD for the approval of this activity as upgrading of studio was very necessary.

4.2 The Director, DSERT requested the Committee to fix the rates of Studio rental charges at DSERT as the studio was upgraded with SIT facility having two way video provision, first of its kind in the state. After discussion, EC asked the Director, DSERT, to workout the possible rates separately for the departmental programmes and the programmes by other departments, which would also provide provision to DSERT to replace the equipment and meet other maintenance costs of the studio.

Decision: EC decided that the State Project Director would forward the proposal submitted by the Director, DSERT, with proper justification, to MHRD for approval. The Director, DSERT was asked to workout the cost of studio rental charges and submit the proposal to the State Government for approval.

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**Agenda No. 04**

| Subject No 5 | Purchase of audio cassettes “Hadona-Kaliyona’ and supply to all Government LPS and HPS in selected districts. |

EC expressed that there was no evaluation of the utility and quality of ‘Hadona-Kaliyona’ audio cassettes and also it was an arbitrary distribution approach. The EC disapproved the purchase of these cassettes.

**Decision: The committee disapproved the purchase of Hadona-Kaliyona audio cassettes.**

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**Agenda No. 05**

| Subject No 6 | Approval for the implementation of Nagu Nagutha Ganitha Programme under Remedial Teaching |

After discussing the necessity of focussing on the subject like Mathematics at the Elementary level of education, EC opined that the programme does not fall into the category of Remedial Teaching but is basically a learning enhancement programme.

The SPD was asked to contact Akshara Foundation and to get the evaluation report of the programme which they had earlier implemented in Bangalore South district. Further, the SPD was authorised to take necessary decision after the review of the evaluation report and take up this programme from the available funds of LEP programme or Innovative activities, as per the norms of SSA.
**Decision:** The committee entrusted SPD to take a decision after reviewing the evaluation report of the earlier programme of Akshara Foundation.

**Agenda No.6**

| Subject No 7 | Conversion of 61 KGBV schools from model-III to Model-I, sanctioned during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 |

The committee discussed that model – I of KGBV was an ideal one for the girls with difficult background and felt necessary to shift from model-III to model-I based on the experience gained during the implementation of the programme for 4 years. GOI representative said that the decision has to be taken by MHRD and a proposal may be sent from the State. EC decided to place this proposal in AWP&B of 2009-10.

**Decision:** The committee decided to place the proposal for change in KGBV model from III to I during approval of AWP&B of 2009-10 and also authorized the SPD to send a proposal to MHRD in this regard.

**Agenda No.07**

| Subject No 8 | Enhancing the honorarium payable to Gender Coordinators at District, Block and Cluster levels under NPEGEL |

The Committee expressed that the proposal for revision of honorarium payable to the Gender Coordinators may be considered subject to the availability of funds under Management Cost. It was decided to limit the monthly enhancement to Rs.500/- per person.

**Decision:** The Committee decided to raise the honorarium of Gender Coordinators at District, Block and Cluster levels and limit the monthly enhancement to Rs.500/- per person.

**Agenda No.08**

| Subject No 9 | Approval for expenditure incurred for providing local allowance to participants of in-service teachers' training. |

It was clarified to EC that the local conveyance allowance paid for the participants of In-service Teacher Training was within the approved cost of Rs.70/- per teacher during the years from 2000-2001 to 2004-2005 and also as per the provisions of KCSR’s. GOI representative opined that the proposal may be ratified if it is within the approved cost for training and also as per the norms of SSA. The Committee ratified the expenditure incurred in 16 DIETs
for providing local conveyance allowance to teachers of in-service training programme.

**Decision:** The Committee ratified the expenditure incurred in 16 DIETs from 2000 to 2005 for providing local conveyance allowance to participants of In-service Training programme.

**Agenda No.09**

| Subject No 10 | Ratification of the decision for expansion of Learning Initiative Programme (Kalika Yatna Programme) in all Government LPS and HPS of Hunsur Block during the year 2008-09. |

The Chairperson briefed the Committee on the new learning initiative ‘Kalika Yatna’. Prof.Govinda said that such an innovative approach must be encouraged. After such experimentation in few clusters, lessons must be drawn and these should be taken into consideration at the time of up scaling. EC ratified the expansion of the Programme ‘Kalika Yatna’ to all the Government schools of Hunsur Block of Mysore district.

**Decision:** The decision for expansion of the programme ‘Kalika Yatna’ was ratified by the committee.

**Agenda No.10**

| Subject No 11 | Ratification for the decision to provide mobile SIM cards to BEO’s and BRCC’s |

11.1 The EC ratified the decision of providing mobile SIM cards to BEO’s and BRCC’s.

11.2 The Committee considered the proposal to provide SIMs to APC’s at District level and felt that SIMs under CUG may be provided to the Assistant Project Coordinators as they were also involved in the implementation of SSA programmes and to meet expenditure for this under the District Management Cost.

11.3 It was discussed to provide SIM cards to the functionaries of Office of the Commissioner for Public Instruction, as they are also involved in the implementation of SSA programme for Class VIII at Secondary level. GOI representative, present in the meeting, wanted to know whether these functionaries were involved in the implementation of SSA programmes. EC asked SPD to prepare a detailed proposal giving a clear picture of role of these functionaries in the SSA programme implementation with a detailed cost implication and submit to GOI for approval.

**Decision:** The committee approved to provide SIMs to BEO’s, BRCC’s and APC’s and asked SPD to submit a detailed proposal to GOI for approval to provide SIMs under CUG to the Officers of CPI.
Agenda No.11

Subject No 12  To provide grants for the salary of IERTs and Volunteers of Home Based Education.

The Committee discussed on the roles of the IERTs and Volunteers. As the Karnataka State provides a pay scale to IERTs on par with Primary School Teachers, the unit cost of Rs.1200/- is very low and it is affecting other activities under CWSN. Therefore the GOI may be requested to hike the unit cost of Rs.1200 per child being provided under CWSN. The Chairperson requested the SPD to workout the details and proposal may be sent to MHRD in this regard.

**Decision:** SPD was asked to submit a detailed proposal to GOI giving the details of expenditure under the programme ‘Provision for CWSN’ with a request to enhance the unit cost.

Agenda No.12

Subject No 13  Ratification for entrusting monitoring of Remedial Teaching Programme to M/s.Akshara Prathistana, Bangalore.

After a detailed deliberation on the importance of monitoring of the remedial teaching programme, one of the prestigious programme of the state, the EC decided that it was necessary to carry out a sample monitoring to assess the process and impact of the programme as was done in the previous year. GOI representative expressed that the funds may be availed from the Monitoring programme. The Chairperson asked SPD to workout cost under REMS to accommodate this programme.

**Decision:** The committee decided to authorise SPD to utilise funds from REMS programme of the state for implementation of monitoring of Remedial Teaching Programme.

Agenda No.13

Subject No 14  Extension of e-governance activities under LPO to Chikkaballapur block.

EC approved the extension of e-governance activities to, Bangalore North District Office and Chikkaballapur Block Office instead of Devanahalli Block of Bangalore Rural District.

**Decision:** EC approved the extension of egovernance activities to Bangalore North district office and Chikkaballapur Block Office.
Additional Agenda No.01

Subject No 15  Approval to reduce the size of the Additional Classroom approved for 2008-09.

EC approved the change in the size of the Additional Classroom from 18’x25’ to 18’x21’ and size of Veranda from 8’x25’ to 8’x21’ with a suggestion to make foundation and columns strong enough to accommodate 1st floor as a future plan of action. EC authorised SPD to submit proposal to State Government for issue of G.O in this regard.

**Decision:** EC approved the change in the size in the additional classrooms sanctioned during 2008-09. SPD, SSA will take the approval of State Government for the unit cost.

Additional Agenda No.02

Subject No 16  Regarding procurement of services of consultant

EC deliberated on the necessity of de-linking the services of Prof.A.S.Seetharamu, SSA Consultant from ISEC, Bangalore and continuing the same directly under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. The Committee approved the proposal.

**Decision:** EC approved the procurement of services of Prof.A.S.Seetharamu as Consultant for SSA, Karnataka

Additional Agenda No.03

Subject No 17  Revision of remuneration of contract employees working under SSA

The Chairperson asked the SPD to workout the cost of living and to provide necessary hike in the remuneration being paid to contract employees after duly examining the legal requirements.

**Decision:** The SPD was asked to examine the legal requirements and cost of living for the revision of remuneration of contract employees and take necessary suitable action.

Additional Agenda No.04

Subject No 18  Appointment and deputation of consultants under OOSC

EC discussed the tender process of SSA for the appointment of Consultants under OOSC strategies. It was placed on board that the strengthening of the structure was more essential to track dropouts, out of school children and also
to monitor programmes like Ashakirana. After a detailed discussion, it was decided to follow the model of RDPR, which has appointed Panchayath Development Officers through the agencies at the state level.

**Decision:** The Committee decided to explore the model of RDPR and take necessary action accordingly for the selection of agencies for the services of consultants.
List of Executive Committee members present for the meeting held on 25th Aug 2008

1. Smt. Vandita Sharma, IAS, Secretary, Primary & Secondary Education and Chairperson, EC.
2. Sri. S. Selva Kumar, IAS, State Project Director, SSA Karnataka and member Secretary.
4. Sri. Ibrahim Goonal, Deputy Secretary, representing Principal Secretary, Labour Department.
5. Smt. M.M. Bindu, Joint Director, representing the Principal Secretary, WCD.
6. Sri. Revanna, SO, SWD, representing the Secretary, Social Welfare Department.
8. Sri. Ekanathappa, Subject Inspector, Representing the Commissioner, BBMP.
10. Sri. Palakshaiah, DDPI, Representing the Director, Primary Education, Office of the Commissioner for Public Instruction.
12. Sri. Venkateshaiah, Joint Director, Mid-day-meal scheme, Bangalore.
13. Sri. Basavarajappa, Deputy Director of Public Instruction, Raichur.
15. Sri. Basavaraja Gurikara, President, Karnataka State Primary Teachers’ Association, Bangalore.
17. Sri. N.S. Ghanti, Samuha, Devadurga, Raichur District.