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No. SSA/30th EC meeting/1/2011-12 Date: 30-12-2011

EC Meeting Proceedings

Proceedings of 30th Executive Committee meeting of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Karnataka held on 19-12-2011 is herewith enclosed for your perusal.

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1. Secretary to Govt. Dept. of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi -110 001.
2. P.K. Tiwari, IAS. Director (SE&L), MHRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi -110001.
3. Fr Thomas Felix, Founder Director, Central Institute of Mental Retardation, Murigathalam Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram-695011.
4. Joint Secretary, MHRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi -110001.
6. Dr Govinda, NUEPA, 17 B, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110016 - Special Invitee.
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SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN - KARNATAKA
O/o the State Project Director, Nrupathunga Road, K.R. Circle, Bangalore - 560001

Proceedings of the 30th meeting of the Executive Committee of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Samithi held on 19-12-2011 at 11 am under the Chairmanship of Secretary to Government, Primary and Secondary Education, in the 3rd floor, Conference Hall of the Office of the State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Bangalore.

List of Members Present in the Executive Committee meeting is enclosed as Annexure.

State Project Director Sri. Tushar Girinath welcomed Chairman Sri. G Kumar Naik, Secretary Primary and Secondary Education, Labour Commissioner Sri. Umashankar and other members of the Executive Committee.

1. Confirmation of the proceedings of the 29th EC meeting held on 2nd Aug 2011 were read and recorded as confirmed.

2. Action taken report: The EC reviewed the action taken report. Further Action Taken Report of the 29th EC was presented to the member's one after the other

3. Progress of various activities under SSA was presented through a presentation. The financial progress as on Nov. 2011 was reviewed. The various initiatives like establishing of Chinnara Tungudhama in 9 corporation area’s head quarters, the success of Chinnara Zilla Darshana, Adventure and Nature Study camps, Sign dictionary for kannada language, HBE kit, various research studies that are taken up under REMS, Fabrication and errection of Hoardings in all the blocks and districts, progress of KGBV schools, CALC programmes, Adolescent Girls
programme, progress achieved under OOSC, LEP. Various training programmes and initiatives under RTE were reviewed through detailed presentations.

The Executive Committee reviewed the Physical and financial progress of activities undertaken during the year 2010-11 under 13th Finance Commission Grant. As suggested by the High Level Monitoring Committee held on 18-10-2011 under the Chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary, it reviewed the financial and physical progress achieved under 13th Finance Commission Grant upto 30th Nov 2011.

Agenda for EC Ratification

4) GPS school mapping using multifunctional handsets

Background: The amount of Rs. 1 crore was approved under Supplementary PAB in the year 2010-11. The amount 1 crore was considered for Committed expenditure in the year 2010-11.

Decision of the 29th EC: The EC has observed the comments of the MHRD that Rs. 1.01 crores sanctioned under supplementary plan is not available for use. EC suggested that demonstration of the utility of equipment for the intended purpose may be shown to the CPI at the earliest. SSA should then seek the approval of MHRD for the purchase of the equipment and explore the possibility of meeting recurring cost which may work out to Rs. 25.00 lakhs per annum.

SPD directed the districts to procure GPS enabled handset at the rate of Rs.8400/- per set for use in each block. A sum of Rs. 17, 25,500/- was spent for the same. SPD took a decision that demonstration to CPI is not possible without running a pilot. Instead of the earlier proposed 6 sets per block, only 1 set per block was allowed. Since an expenditure of Rs. 17,25,500/- is undertaken the EC is requested to ratify this expenditure. Further to decide,
1. whether to expand this thorough procuring 5 more multifunctional mobile
   handsets to each BRC as proposed or
2. to restrict it to the number already procured or
3. go for a number in between and allow the expenditure from the balance
   left of 1 crore committed expenditure.

EC is requested to ratify and advice on the continuation of the project.

SPD stated to the committee in detail about the process of capturing of
Photographs of the physical structure and infrastructure of the schools. He
stated that the results of the pilot carried out by procuring hand set by every
block of the state on the pilot basis has resulted in achieving 57% of the target
with respect to capturing of the photographs and once the process is completed
Access, infrastructure and planning could be carried. He stated that further to
use the data, independent software is required so as to upload the DISE data on to
the data of GIS School Mapping with various applications. Prof. Sitaram stated
that validation of the captured information, is necessary. The members discussed
the issue in detail and agreed to ratify the expenditure incurred on the same which
is Rs. 17, 25, 500/-.

MHRD comments for the same: An outlay of Rs. 1 crore was approved for GPS
school mapping during 2010-11. However, any unspent balances under this
cannot be carried forward to the next year. An expenditure of Rs.
17,25,500/- was incurred for the procurement of GPS enabled handset at
block level. However, the year in which the expenditure was incurred has not
been indicated. In case, it was incurred in 2011-12, ratification of PAB would
be necessary as a re-appropriation from savings available under other
activities. No fresh expenditure can be incurred on this without the budget
provision.
Decision of the EC: EC ratified the expenditure of Rs. 17,25,500/. Further with respect to extend the other related activities it directed to place the proposal to the next PAB.

5. Request to accord approval for the increased Additional Class Rooms due to reduction of provision in the Unit Cost of Green Board

It is to state that as per the PAB of 2009-10, the Additional Class Rooms of 2865 were sanctioned with the unit cost of Rs.4.70 lakhs per room. Later, the unit cost was reduced from Rs.4.7 lakhs to Rs.3.80 lakhs, due to reducing the size of ACR 18'x25'(5.5x7.62m) plus 8'x25' (2.4x7.62m) veranda which facilitates the construction 679 nos. of more additional class rooms.

In the mean while by the deletion of provision of providing green board to the schools within the unit cost of Rs.3.80lakhs per ACR, Rs.12,000 for each green board is withdrawn, vide this office letter No.SSA/CW/Green board/BF-152/2009-10 dated: 9-11-2009 (Copy enclosed).

In view of the withdrawing of green board a sum of Rs.425.16 lakhs is saved. Further it was proposed to utilised this savings amount for the construction of 116 nos. additional class rooms, so as to meet the demand of additional class rooms to the needy schools as per this office circular No.SSA/CW/ACR/01/2009-10 dated 17-11-2009.
The post facto approval was sought from the MHRD, Delhi Vide this office letter No. dated 21.09.2010, 25.04.2011 and 02.07.2011. The Joint Secretary, MHRD in their letter No.F.15-5/2011-EE.15 dated 7th Oct 2011, have sought clarification regarding whether the approval of EC in the above matter has been obtained or not.

EC is requested to accord EC approval duly considering the No. of ACRs from 2990 to 3786 which include 116 Additional Class Rooms.

MHRD comments for the same: After obtaining the approval of EC for the utilization of savings available under ACR and Procurement of Green Board, approval of PAB would be necessary.

Decision of the EC: EC approved and recommended the same to be placed for approval of PAB.

6) Appointing a consultant for Media & Documentation Cell:

Under Media & Documentation cell of SSA, various activities related to Education Department, SSA & RMSA are being implemented like;

Day to day advertisements, Press meet, Providing information for public during Public functions/Seminars/Exhibitions, Documentation of all educational programmes, Development of literature for publicity through news paper/Air/Door Darshan, Preparation of Publicity materials, Conducting Radio and Doordarshan programmes, Literature for educational posters & folders, National festivals, Video & teleconference, Preparation of SSA/RMSA broachers/Annual reports, Street plays, puppet shows etc.
Rs. 5.69 crore have been allotted under SSA for these activities. All these involve expert media work. Hence it is propose to have a media consultant in SSA to assist in conducting these activities. With the approval of the Hon’ble Chairman, SSA, the tender is invited and is in the process of finalisation. Hence, the proposal is placed before the EC for ratification.

SPD stated that with the permission of the Chairman on file, a tender is already floated and the process is on. He stated the importance of having media consultant so that the proactive and positive activities of SSA can showcased in particular and department of education in general.

MHRD comments for the same: Appointment of Consultants and additional staff - May be agreed to subject to the ceiling on Management Cost is not exceeded.

Decision of the EC: EC approved the same subject to the ceiling on Management cost.

7. Additional staff in SSA

As per Govt Orders No: ED/279/MCD/2003, Bangalore Dated: 27-10-2003 and Govt Order No: ED 143/yo.yo.ka/2007, Bangalore dated: 24-5-2007 the posts sanctioned for the State Project Office is as under for the below catagery.

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Presently the quantum of work in the State Project Office has enormously increased. As a result the posts which were sanctioned in the above Govt. order has become insufficient. New Drivers were appointed additionally as new vehicles were purchased for the officers of state office. Computer Programmers, Data entry operators are engaged keeping the workload in the office. Electrician, Security Guards, House keepers are appointed to maintain the day to day affairs of the office.

The additional posts which are shown in the column(6) of the above table are already appointed with approval of State Project Director, to carry out the SSA project smoothly.

Hence E.C. is requested to ratify the action taken by the SPD in appointing the additional posts as mentioned in column(6) above: for the smooth running of SSA project.

SPD stated that with the expansion of activities under SSA, over the years staff have been appointed by previous SPD's for smooth functioning of SSA. The same is placed for ratification. The members discussed the same in detail and agreed for ratification of actions by previous SPD's.

**MHRD comments for the same:** Appointment of Consultants and additional staff - May be agreed to subject to the ceiling on Management Cost is not exceeded.

**Decision of the EC:** EC approved the appointment of additional staff and ratified the action taken by the previous SPD's.

**8. Services of Mobile Accounts Assistants.**
MHRD has approved to provide services of Mobile Accounts Assistants (For 50 Schools One Accounts Assistants) to strengthen the accounts maintenance at School Level for the year 2011-12. The approved number is 1485, the required number is around 921. The services will be procured through tender division wise. Tender notification has been issued on 25.11.2011.

MHRD comments for the same: Agreed.

Decision of the EC: EC ratified the action taken by the SPD

New Proposals for Approval of EC

9. Proposal of Strengthening activities like training and other resource support to the faculty working in the anganwadi’s by WCD dept.

An agenda towards carrying a pilot activity of ECCE convergence and Merger of 500 Shala Purva Shikshana Kendras of SSA with that of Anganwadi’s of Department of Women and Child Development was placed before 29th EC held on 2nd August 2011. EC decision for the same was that:

"Proposal is agreed so far as strengthening the Anganwadi’s by providing extra volunteer to the selected anganwadi’s (approximately 10 to 15 per district) spread across the state instead of concentrating on Bangalore Urban district alone. The funds to be utilized as per the MHRD approved amount of Rs. 5 lakhs per district. Further the experience of pilot in SSA has shown that utilizing school rooms wherever building and other infrastructure is available. Utilization of Mid day meals for pre-primary children also helps in strengthening of anganwadi’s. The comments of MHRD were discussed wherein they have stated that there is no provision to incur expenditure for training of anganwadi workers under training
component of SSA. Hence, the proposal of utilizing funds under training would not be executed."

Accordingly, the circular was drafted and sent to the government for approval. In return as the government approved with the condition that no new posts to be created. But, in the proposed pilot project, volunteers would be placed through outsourcing. Hence, in the light of the above, the proposal of activities for strengthening of Anganwadi’s was requested to Director, WCD. WCD has proposed the budget of Rs. 150.00 lakhs for the following activities:

1. Printing of Chilipili books
2. Training of Anganwadi volunteers

The available cost of Rs. 5 lakhs per district could be utilized towards providing of chilipili books wherever new anganwadi’s are established or to those which have not been provided with chilipili books.

The same is placed before EC for discussion and decision.

MHRD comments for the same: An outlay of Rs. 150 lakh under the innovative head of ECCE is available for utilization during the current financial year. This may be used for the activities proposed in the Agenda.

Decision of the EC: EC approved the same.

10. Permission is sought to make the payment for District Child Labour Project Society from funds available under OOSC component

DDPI (Admin), Raichur district has reported that an amount of Rs. 1,38,798/- related to 5 NCLP centres run for child labourers during the period
April-2010 to June-2010 in Sirivar, Devadurga, Manvi, Raichur and Sindhnur blocks of Raichur district remains unpaid by the department to the District Child Labour Project Society. This was due to delay in submission of relevant documents by the District Child Labour Project Society to DDPI. Since the unpaid amount pertains to the academic year 2010-11 and has not been considered as committed liability during 2011-12 but has to be paid to Child Labour Project Society by the department, permission is sought to make the payment from the funds available in the district under out of school interventions for the year 2011-12. CAO's opinion: CAO has opined that the expenditure under reference is a recurring expenditure which cannot be considered as spill over expenditure. As the payment has to be made, the same is can be placed EC for its approval.

The proposal is placed before the EC for approval.

Chairman and members discussed the issue in detail. It was stated that the districts should be warned not to create such situations in future. The districts should ensure that they make payments in time by procuring all the required documents for payments within stipulated time. Chairman requested SPD to issue a circular to all the districts directing them not to repeat this issue in future, and they would be held responsible in case such situations arise in future.

MHRD comments for the same: Agreed.

Decision of the EC: EC refused to give approval to the proposal. Further it directed the CEO, ZP, Raichur, to look into the matter and take appropriate decision at their level.

11. Inclusive Education for CWSN District wise inter-se re-appropriation
As per the AWP & B 2011 - 12 under Inclusive Education intervention, unit cost per child is Rs. 3,000/- Children Special survey, was conducted in each Districts. The District which have more number of CWSN will get more allocation. Districts which have identified less number of children will get less allocation. Inclusive Education for CWSN intervention has 26 activities, including IERTs salary. Districts which have received less allocation are not able to conduct the activities due to shortage of amount where as Districts which has surplus amount, there is possibility of saving. Hence it is placed before EC to re - appropriate from the Districts having excess amount to the districts having less allocation.

As per the opinion of the CAO, according to the Financial Management & Procurement Manual Para 88.5 inter districts re-appropriation of funds shall not be permitted.

By taking note of this provision the re-appropriation proposal is placed, before the EC to get the approval of MHRD, for optimum utilization of the allocated funds.

Proposal is placed before EC for approval.

MHRD comments for the same: Since inter-district activities by transferring funds in any activity is not permissible, the proposal may not be agreed to.

Decision of the EC: EC did not agree to the re-appropriation proposal

12. Appointing a Research Consultant in DSERT

As the academic authority of the state under RTE the DSERT engages in planning and managing research and evaluation in school education and educational administration. This will be continuous exercise. There is a need for a full-time consultant for the DSERT to facilitate these functions. Approval of
the EC for appointment of a full-time consultant to DSERT, on deputation of a Professor from university on the recommendation of the Karnataka Knowledge Commission is sought. The expenditure on this will be incurred in the REMS 2012-13. The appointment will be made in year 2012-13 only.

The same is placed before EC for approval.

MHRD comments for the same: Agreed

Decision of the EC: EC approved the same with the condition that proper procedure be adopted in appointing the Research Consultant to DSERT.

13. Enhancing the grant towards maintenance of studio hub in DSERT

The primary education Edusat pilot project is being implemented in collaboration with ISRO GOK, SSA and EDC. Studios Hub and uplink facilities were set up at DSERT Bengaluru. Karnataka State Remote Sensing Applications Centre (KSRSAC) has provided 3 technical assistants to work in hub at DSERT from 2004 to 2007 as per MOU. Rs 3.00 Lakhs have been provided per annum for the maintenance of the employees. Later on the number of technical assistants were reduced to two and the grant from SSA towards maintenance was fixed at Rs 2.00 lakhs per annum. This amount is low and KSRSAC wants this to be raised. It is proposed that grant payable to KSRSAC to raise from Rs 2.00 Lakhs to Rs 2.25 lakhs.

The proposal is placed before EC for approval.
MHRD comments for the same: May be agreed

Decision of the EC: EC approved the proposal.


SSA is involved in a large volume of litigations that are referred to KAT and civil courts. The recent litigations involve the appointment of CRCs / BRCs / BRPs. In addition, there are cases involving civil works, procurements and service matters. It is easier to manage these litigations with the assistance of empanelled advocates who would provide legal counsel and take up the matter in the court on behalf of the SSA. Many documents requiring legal scrutiny such as agreement, memo of understandings and other contractual and service matter may be legally vetted.

Payment of Honorarium for advocates engaged from the panel shall be based on nature of legal services.

Method of empanelment: Applications will be called from interested Advocates who have minimum experience of 10 years in relevant courts. This will be hosted in SSA website.

Approval of E.C. is sought to make a panel of Advocates for SSA and to pay them Honorarium for the cases conducted / services rendered.
MHRD comments for the same: May be agreed to provided the procurement procedure prescribed in Para 123 of the Manual on FM&P is follow

Decision of the EC: EC approved the same with a condition to follow the procedure prescribed in Para 123 of the Manual on FM&P.

15. Annual Report for the year 2010-11 for approval

The Annual Report for the year 2010-11 is placed for EC approval.
The gist of the Annual Report was presented by Prof. Sitaram, Consultant at SSA.
EC members took cognizance of the activities carried out by SSA in 2010-11.

MHRD comments for the same: Agreed

Decision of the EC: EC approved the Annual Report for the year 2010-11.


The accounts of SSA for the year 2010-11 have been audited by the Chartered Accounts appointed for the purpose and the Audited Financial Statements, Audit Report, Audit Certificate and the Management Report are placed before EC for approval.

The copies of the Audit report have been circulated to all the implementing agencies, line departments and district project officers for immediate compliance.
The same is placed before EC for approval.
MHRD comments for the same: Agreed

Decision of the EC: EC approved the Audit Reports for the year 2010-11.

Additional Agenda 1: Revision of remuneration to Employees on Contract Basis

As per GO No. Govt. Notification No. DPEP-PS-STF 1-1/94-95 Dated 10.8.1994 and subsequent orders 161 employees were recruited during DPEP. After closure of the scheme all the employees working on contract are continued in SSA scheme vide GO No. ED.279.MCD.2003 dated 30.6.2003. On the decision of 22nd EC held on 25.8.2008, remuneration of contract employees have been increased with w.e.f from 1.8.2008 considering service rendered and the cost of living. The annual increase of 8% have been paid w.e.f 1.8.2009 & 1.8.2010 respectively.

The Contract Employees have represented to increase their remuneration on par with Govt. employees considering the hike in salary & DA due to price rise.

The proposal is placed before EC for discussion and to take a decision.

MHRD comments for the same: NIL

Decision of the EC: EC approved 8% raise in remuneration of Contract employees from 1.9.2011.

Additional Agenda 2: Discussion regarding carrying out Child Census

In order to identify the Educational Status of all the Children in Karnataka, a comprehensive child census was conducted during January 2010 for the age group of 0 to 18 years. Pre-Printed forms were used for the survey in all the districts
expect Bangalore urban. New forms were used for Bangalore Urban District because of in and out migrations on a large scale.

State/District/Block/Cluster level core groups were constituted for providing training, supervision and monitoring. Teleconference was conducted at the State level. Departments like Revenue Department, Social Welfare, Labour Department, Women and Child Department, Police Department, Pre-University Board etc. were involved. Teachers, Anganwadi workers, NGOs were involved in the survey.

Habitation wise consolidation was done at the District level. The Computerization of Data was taken up with validation and certification by the districts. Mainstreaming exercises had been engaged in by the districts, April 2010 onwards, using manual counts. The same is being used for AWP&B 2011-12 along with DISE data.

Further, periodic survey is carried out to identify children without adult protection in 9 corporation area's district head quarters is carried out from 10th December, 2011 to 17th December, 2011. Data is yet to be compiled by the districts.

Meanwhile a meeting of the various dept heads was carried out on 2-12-2011 wherein a joint circular regarding convergence of data and maintenance of data for child tracking initiative is issued. The copy is enclosed for further discussion by the members.

It is placed for discussion of EC.

Chairman and members discussed the need of identification of OOSC children in the light of RTE. SPD stated that the identification of OOSC would be
carried out under community mobilization funds and stated to explore the possibilities of the same.

MHRD comments for the same: NIL

Decision of the EC: No comments.

The meeting concluded thanking the Chairman Sri. Kumar Naik, Secretary to Govt. Education Department, and all the members and Officers present.

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