

Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE)

The 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE) was held under the Chairpersonship of Dr. Vinod Rao, Secretary Primary & Secondary Education, Education Department at 11:00 p.m. on **29th November, 2018** in the Conference Hall of the STTI, GCERT Campus, Gandhinagar. The list of members who participated in the meeting is attached at Annexure-A.

Shri Prakash Trivedi, Secretary, SPO, SSA welcomed the Chairperson and all the members of the Executive Committee, presented in the meeting.

He then took up the business of the meeting as per the Agenda. The minutes of the meeting are as under.

Agenda-1 : To accord sanction to the minutes of the 60th Meeting of the E.C. (27-08-2018)

- 1.1. The Minutes of the 60th meeting of the E.C. held on 27.08.2018 were confirmed as no member offered any suggestions or modifications.

Agenda-2 : ATR on the Minutes of 60th meeting of the E.C.

- 2.1 A presentation was made by the Secretary, SPO, SSA on the Action Taken Report (A.T.R.) on the minutes of the 60th meeting of the E.C. and summarized the developments that have been taken place. The Executive Committee noted the development.

Agenda-3 : Physical and financial progress under the Project SSA and KGBV.

Discussions on Agenda 3 were conducted under which all the OICs have presented summary of achievements of work during previous quarter of their respective branches.

The Officers-in-Charge (OICs) of SSA presented component-wise physical and financial progress made under SSA. Component wise progress were presented and discussed in presence of Hon. Chairman, SPD and other members and following points were suggested:

3.1 Alternative Schooling Branch:

- 3.1.1 It was suggested to include Out-of-School-Children (OoSC) in the School Health-checkup program as well along with regular students.
- 3.1.2 The proper legal definition for Drop-Out student shall be prepared considering guidelines from MHRD, RTE, Bombay Primary Education Act and other relevant Acts & Guidelines.

- 3.1.3 Once the definition of OoSC and Drop-out is finalized, a new category of Irregular Students shall be introduced with clear guidelines to classify between Irregular students and Drop-out students.
- 3.1.4 To optimally utilize funds Transport Allowance for covering more students, especially in Aspirational Districts like Narmada and Dahod.
- 3.1.5 To merge / consolidate schools with very less enrolled students and provide them Transport facility to nearby schools for quality education and exposure. The exercise of Consolidation of Schools shall be piloted in Aspirational Districts by extending Transport Facility in lieu of it.
- 3.1.6 It was suggested to explore possibilities of setting up Boy's Residential Schools under name of "Mahatma Gandhi Kumar Vidhyalaya" on KGBV model, especially in areas with higher drop-out rates in Secondary and Higher-Secondary Schools.
- 3.1.7 To identify and analyze actual number of OoSC students, data from Health Dept. / eMamata / Mid-Day-Meal, Uniform-Textbook Grant shall be verified and compared as per Age-Cohort analysis with U-Dise / SSA data.

3.2 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidhyala (KGBV)

- 3.2.1 To explore possibilities of giving admissions in KGBVs to regular and bright Girl students from nearby vicinities based on merit also, as presently only SC/ST/OBC/BPL girls from the respective Blocks are benefitting.
- 3.2.2 To allow increased enrollment in KGBVs, explore possibilities to upgrade infrastructure to accommodate more number of girls
- 3.2.3 To increase number of Centrally-sponsored KGBVs in State, rationalize and redefine Block / Cluster boundaries for eligibility of establishing KGBVs in these areas.

3.3 Inclusive Education (CwSN)

- 3.3.1 The performance of CwSN students in range of 0-5 marks in Gunotsav-8 and Mission Vidhya's results were presented.
- 3.3.2 SSA, in association with GCSRA, is setting up a Learning & Skill Development Center (Special School) for CwSN students in Sector-29 Gandhinagar.

3.4 Quality Enhancement (QE) cell

- 3.4.1 It was suggested to conduct Learning Outcomes assessment of Std.-2 students in 1-2 months.
- 3.4.2 QE Branch members were instructed to conduct training for Pragna Teachers through Video Conferencing.
- 3.4.3 It was instructed to conduct impact assessment of Antique Vedic Mathematics program

3.5 Media Branch

- 3.5.1 It was suggested to appoint some retired officer from Information Dept. for Media branch as OIC.

3.6 Teachers Training/Community Mobilization Branch:

- 3.6.1 To provide pre-downloaded eBooks in 10-15 schools as in which tablets were given in Gyankung Digital Library on pilot basis
- 3.6.2 Conduct SMC training through BISAG platform

3.7 MIS Branch:

- 3.7.1 The implementation status of Online Attendance System for Teachers & Students was discussed
- 3.7.2 Issues faced in areas with no internet or mobile connectivity were discussed and alternate provisions were suggested
- 3.7.3 It was suggested to cover 100% Teachers & Students under Online Attendance System by end of Jan-19
- 3.7.4 It was suggested to analyze status of CAL in Upper-Primary schools
- 3.7.5 To analyze Mission Vidhya results for Range 1 to 5 and identify OoSc / Irregular students from it.

3.8 Other Points:

- 3.8.1 Learning Outcomes assessment of students enrolled under RTE to be conducted by private Schools
- 3.8.2 To study the administrative processes under purview of DEO / DPC and automate, streamline standard processes like Approvals, Administration, Licenses etc. under Ease-of-Doing-Business model
- 3.8.3 To explore Health Insurance schemes like Mukhyamantri Amrutam and Ayushman Bharat and propose similar Health Insurance schemes to teachers and employees of SMSA.

Agenda-4(a): Progress on PAB Commitment.

Action taken report on the Commitment of PAB was presented to the EC and summarized the developments that have been taken place. The Executive Committee the noted the development.

Agenda-4(b): SSA progress under different components in compliance to RTE Act, 2009.

EC took note of the progress made under various components in compliance to RTE Act, 2009.

Agenda-5: To accord sanction Appointment of the Chartered Accountant firm as a Statutory Auditor for Auditing the Accounts of Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan Project (SSA) For Head Office, All the Districts, BRC, CRC and SMC for the Financial Year 2017-18.

Proposal regarding appointment of C.A. Firm as a Statutory Auditor for auditing the Accounts of SSA Project for the financial year 2017-18, presented by Finance and Accounts Officer was considered at the meeting E.C. agreed with the proposal and accorded sanction to it.

Agenda-6: To accord sanction to establish Math-Science Lab in Government Upper Primary schools

In-principle approval was given to establish STEM / LBD centers in Upper Primary schools.

Agenda-7: To accord sanction to conduct Periodical Assessment Test in Government Primary and Upper Primary Schools across the State

In-principle approval was given to conduct Periodic Assessment Tests (PAT) in Std.3 to 8 on weekly basis as per PAT program designed and approved in PAB. GCERT will develop the Unit Test Exam papers and SSA will print the Answer Sheets for each student and the same will be distributed to all Government schools. The PAT is proposed to start from 15-Dec-18.

Agenda-8: To accord sanction given Sports Equipment to Government Primary and Upper Primary Schools

In-principle approval was given to procure Sports Equipment for all Government Primary and Upper-Primary Schools across state as per PAB budget.

Agenda-9: Supplementary Budget proposal for transport Facility District: Dahod

The proposal to provide Transport Facility to additional 12,923 OoSC students was not approved. It was suggested to be reviewed through resurvey. The OoSC students in the area shall be accurately identified and Transport Facility shall be provided to them considering Consolidation of Schools in the district as per the RTE norms. (P.S >1.5 km, UPS>than 3K.M)

Agenda-10: To accord sanction For procurement of NCERT and NBT publications as part of Library Grant.

To ensure effective utilization of Library grant with proper selection and purchase of books

Agenda-11: To accord sanction to Approval for filling post of Asst. Coordinators Teachers Training Ahmedabad/Rajkot/Vadodara/Surat corporations.

The proposal regarding creation of 4 new posts at Corporation (under position of "Teacher's Training" at AMC/RMC/SMC/VMC), was considered and agreed by the E.C.

The expenditure on this account will be met from the intervention academic support through expenditure from 6 % management costs available under SSA-RTE for the next year (2019-20) budget.

The meeting then ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the members.

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To

1. All the Members of Executive Committee
2. All Officers of this office.

Annexure : A

The list of Participants who attended the 61st Meeting of E.C. on 29th November, 2018

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. Vinod Rao	Chairperson, EC & Secretary (Pri. & Sec. Edu.), Edu. Dept.
2.	Ms. P. Bharathi	State Project Director, SSA, Gujarat
3.	Sh. M.I.Joshi	Director, Primary Education , Gujarat State
4.	Dr. T.S.Joshi	Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar
5.	Sh.K.N.Trivedi	Under Secretary, GAD, Gandhinagar
6.	Sh. S.L.Katara	Representative Tribal Officer, Tribal Dept. Gandhinagar
7.	Sh. V.P.Vasavada	Government Labour Officer, Gandhinagar
8.	Sh. Digvijaysinh Jadeja	President, Gujarat State Primary Teachers Association

Officers who attended the meeting

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Sh. J.D.Desai	Director, Director of Schools, Gandhinagar
2.	Ms. Jayshreeben Dewangan	Addl. State Project Director, SSA
3.	Sh. P.A.Jalu	Chairman, Guj. State Examination Board, Gandhinagar
4.	Sh. P.K.Trivedi	Secretary, SPO, SSA
5.	Sh. S.G.Vyas	Finance and Accounts Officer
6.	Sh. D.S. Patel	Addl. State Project Director
7.	Sh. B.M. Solanki	OIC: Planning & Management/Media and Documentation
8.	Sh. Rohit Chaudhari	OIC: R & E
9.	Sh. K.V.Miyani	OIC: T.T.
10.	Sh. Nipun Choksi	State Project Engineer - II
11.	Sh. Hitendra Joshi	OIC- A.S./Incharge State IED
12.	Sh. Vishal Soni	DBA & S.A. , CMS Branch
13.	Sh. Asif Savant	MIS Officer
14.	Ms. Darshna Suthar	OIC-Girls Education
15.	Sh. Dharmesh Ramanuj	Assistant Convener, QE Cell
16.	Sh. Anil Upadhyay	State Resource Person (Monitoring), QE Cell