Minutes of the 52nd Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE)

The 52nd Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE) was held under the chairmanship of Shri Sujit Gulati, Principal Secretary, Education Department at 13:00 hours on 4th June, 2015 in the Conference Hall of the State Project Office, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Gandhinagar. A list of members who participated in the meeting is attached at Annexure-A.

Shri Mukesh Kumar, State Project Director extended welcome to the Chairman and all the members of the Executive Committee, present in the meeting and 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 51st Meeting of the E.C. (29.1.2015)

1.1 The Minutes of the 51st meeting of the E.C. held on 29-01-2015 were confirmed as no member offered any suggestions or modifications.

Agenda-2: ATR on the Minutes of 51st meeting of the E.C.

A presentation was made by the State Project Director on the A.T.R. on the minutes of 51st meeting of the E.C., para wise details of which are as under.

4(b)2(a): Preparation of rules and Procedure for pre-school admission and to prescribe curriculum and evaluation procedure etc. for pre-school education.

The Chair informed that GCERT, being specified as an academic authority for the purpose of the RTE Act, is supposed to carry out these tasks on the priority basis. He also suggested to organize a work shop for the purpose and arrange to call for a meeting to consult the issue with the experts in the field of early childhood development, in the next week.

4(b)2(b): Set up of mechanisms for periodic training and regular assessment, etc. and prescribe the form and manner of awarding certificate for completion of elementary education.

The State Project Director informed that, GCERT, as an academic authority has formulated guidelines and formats for periodic training and regular assessment etc., It has also prescribed a form of awarding certificate for completion of elementary education. However, it is necessary to issue these guide lines and formats in a form of Resolution/Notification from Government. The Director, P.E./GCERT was requested to initiate appropriate action in this regard.

9.1/9.4: Gunotsav Result and Remedial Teaching to Student, who are below average.

The State Project Director proposed that the students attending below 40% marks in the Gunotsav Result need integrated remedial teaching during regular schooling. Teacher could adopts his/her teaching to the individual needs of the students in regular school hours or after school hours. The Chair informed that as a part of his duties, teacher has to transact the syllabus in a timely manner, and also to provide supplementary support to children who are below average and need such support. Hence, such integrated remedial teaching support to needy students be provided by the concerned teacher for half hour to hour after the school hours, in the class room. Shri Chandubhai Joshi, President, GSPTF also agreed to this.

9.2: KGBVs established from State Budget:

Proposal to include 20 KGBVs, which were established in non-EBBs from State budget to SSA funds was not accepted by GOI, as the scheme is applicable to EBBs only.

9.3: Child Tracking System:

Self-explanatory note on Child Tracking System was furnished to the ACS (Education), as desired.

9.5: Transport Facility to Students of Std. VI-VIII:

The State Project Director informed that the matter regarding Transport Facility was discussed in the PAB meeting on 19.2.2015, and it was agreed to provide Transport Facility to Students of Std. VI-VIII as per the provisions under the SSA Framework.

9.6: Construction of Toilet blocks in Schools:

The proposed meeting with the personnel's of the Corporate Homes and Public Sector Undertaking to obtain their support was organized on 13.2.2015 under the Chairmanship of E.C. & A.C.S. (Education).

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

The State Project Director presented head wise Physical and financial progress made under SSA and KGBV during the year. The details of which are as under:

3.1 Access: GIS School Mapping:

To arrive at a clear picture of current availability of schooling facility, within the defined area or limits of neighbourhoods, GIS School Mapping exercise was carried out, in which 408 places in tribal area were identified, where Secondary/Higher Secondary Schools are need to be opened. Tribal development department was requested to examine the need and to take suitable action in the matter.

3.2 Transport Facility:

Total 86128 Children of hard to reach group of scattered and hilly area and in urban area where there is a problem of traffic and non availability of schooling facility in neighbourhood, were provided with Transport facility.

3.3 Special Training Programm (STP)

Out of 39841 targeted Out of School Children 40396 comprising 20461 girls and 19935 boys were covered under STP in various 3578 centres while out of 815 targeted deprived children, 705 children comprising 238 girls and 467 boys were covered in 25 Residential Hostels. 31158 migratory children comprising 13160 girls and 17998 boys were covered under 995 seasonal Hostels, established by SMCs at the original places of migration.

3.4 PRGNA:

Pragna (Phase-V) an Activity Base Learning (ABL) approach initiated successfully in 15991 schools covering 14,93,411 students in 2014-15, is proposed to extend in 20,000 schools covering 15,70,000 students in Phase VI in the next year 2015-16.

3.5 Teacher Training:

Total 21,24,809 mandays training out of targetted 22,24,930 (for 2,22,493 teachers including 46000 Pragna teachers) has been completed, which achieved 95.5% of physical target of 2014-15.

During the current year (2015-16) 2,15,124 teachers, including 70,000 pragna school teacher are targeted for in service training, for 12 days. From which 8 days Block level Training in 1st phase has been completed during April 27-30, 2015 and June 3-6, 2015. 2nd phase Cluster Level Training is scheduled to be organized in July, September, November, 2015 and January, 2016.

3.6 Inclusive Education:

Out of total identified 1,09,781 CWSN, 1,01,929 were enrolled in the schools, while 7852 were covered under HBE. During the year, 5869 CWSN were provided with Transport allowance and 5932 CWSN were provided with Escort allowance through SMCs. 256 CWSN were covered under corrective surgery. Therapy services was hired for 239 Children. 16726 Low vision Children were provided with Large Print Books as per new curriculum.

3.7 SMC/PRI Training:

Total 2,01,770 SMC members were imparted training at school level. 32814 schools have prepared their School Development Plan (SDP).

3.8 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV):

89 KGBVs under SSA and 20 KGBVs (Model III patern) in non-EBBs, from the State budget were functional with enrolment of 7600 girls comprising 32% ST, 9% SC, 4% Minority, 13% BPL and 42% OBC. 26 KGBVs were up graded to Std. 9 and Std. 10, where 652 girls were enrolled in Std. 9 and 323 girls in Std. 10.

86 KGBVs have their own buildings while in 3 KGBVs in Panchmahal, Jamnagar and Kutch district construction work is in progress. Shri V.J.Shah, SPE informed that construction work in these districts will likely to be completed in ensuring June, August and October, 2015, respectively.

3.9 Civil Work:

Out of targeted construction work of 3300 class rooms, 1967 girls toilets, 983 boys toilets and 106 Major Repairing Works, 2469, 1915, 959 and 106 works were completed respectively and 831, 52 and 24 works were in progress.

At this juncture, the Chair, considering the upcoming monsoons season, suggested to carry out a survey of the damaged school building and make it sure for the safety of the children that such existing damaged categories school building should not be utilized for the schooling purposes. Actions be initiated to demolish such damaged categories school buildings in time. The State Project Director informed that 11269 classrooms are indentified as damaged category rooms and requires demolition. Education Deptt. Govt. of Gujarat, issued resolution vide no. 422-1018/43/3535/2 Date: 04.03.2015 and decided procedure to be adopted for demolition of these rooms. As per the G.R. DDO of the respective district can accord one time approval to demolish these rooms. DDO of the concerned district is now empowered under the above G.R. and is authorized to demolish these classrooms. This matter is also informed to all the DPEOs working in the district.

3.10 MIS:

All the schools with Std. 1 to 12 were covered under U-DISE. DISE 2014-15 data were furnished to NUEPA and TSG-SSA, Ed CiL.

3.11 Financial Stats 2014-15

Against total approved financial budget provisions for SSA and KGBV for the year 2014-15 Rs. 140952.55 lacs, funds received from GOI was Rs.89976.49 lacs and from GOG was Rs.44839.12 lacs. Of which fund of Rs.126367.05 lacs was utilized which was 89.65% of the approved budget provisions.

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

All the PAB Commitment till year 2014-15 were complied with. Actions on PAB Commitments for the year 2015-16 will be initiated after the receipt of the same.

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

E.C. took note of the developments of progress under various components of the RTE Act, 2009.

- Agenda-5: To accords sanction to the appointment of Chartered Accountant Firm as a Statutory Auditor for auditing the Accounts of SSA Project for the Financial Year 2014-15.
- Proposal regarding appointment of C.A. Firm as a Statutory Auditor for auditing the Accounts of SSA Project for the financial year 2014-15, presented by Shri Kharchaliya, Finance and Accounts Officer was considered at the meeting E.C. agreed with the proposal and accorded post facto sanction to it.

Agenda-6: To accord sanction to fill up the posts under SSA in the newly created 7 district by internal transfer from other districts.

6.1 The State Project Director informed that in order to facilitate experienced and effective management structure in SSA at new created 7 districts, it is proposed to manned the posts in various units of SSA in these districts from the existing staff working on the establishment of other districts, who are intended or willing to come on transfer and to work at new districts E.C. agreed with the proposal and accorded sanction to it.

Agenda-7: Agenda item from the Chair:

- 7.1 To accord sanction to apply the provision of the Employees Provident Funds (EPF) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 to the employees of the Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE).
- 7.2 Shri Kharchaliya, Finance and Accounts Officer presented that the EPF Act mandates to apply P.F. Scheme to establishment having 20 or more employees. It covers employees having salary less than Rs.15000/- p.m. and voluntary inclusion of the employees having salary Rs.15000/- or more, per month.

At present, the employees working under SSA engaged on contract base on the establishment of the Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE) are not availed with the benefits of the EPF Scheme. While other States, such as Madhya Pradesh, Panjab, Haryana have extended the benefits of the EPF Schemes to the employees engaged under SSA.

At par with such states, it is suggested to cover and extend the benefits of the EPF and M.P. Act, 1952 to the employees of the GCEE, engaged on contract base under SSA. This act involves financial liability of Rs.536.70 lacs, at this stage which will be met from SSA fund, available in the year 2015-16.

Taking into account the E.C. agreed with the proposal and directed to prepare a detailed proposal in this regard and forward it for consideration to the Ministry of H.R.D., Government of India, and obtain necessary order from the Government of India.

The meeting ended with a thank to the Chair and the members.

sd/-(Mukesh Kumar) State Project Director Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Gandhinagar sd/(Sujit Gulati)
Chairman, EC &
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State Project Director Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Gandhinagar

To

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

 $\frac{Annexure:A}{\text{The list of Participants who attended the 52}^{nd}}\,\text{Meeting of E.C. on 4}^{th}\,\text{June, 2015}$

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Sujit Gulati	Chairperson, EC & Principal Secretary, Education Dept.
2.	Shri Mukesh Kumar	State Project Director, SSA, Gujarat
3.	Dr.Bharat Pandit	Director of Primary Education
4.	Dr.T.S.Joshi	Director, GIET, Ahmedabad
5.	Ms. Jyoti K. Patel	Jt. Secretary, Tribal Development Dept., Gandhinagar
6.	Ms. Apexa Bhatt	State Programme Director, Mahila Samakhya, Gujarat
7.	Ms. Usha Sharma	Associate Professor & Coordinator, NCERT, New Delhi
8.	Ms. Tattwamasi Paltasingh	Nodal Officer, Morii. Int., SPIESER, Ahmedabad
9.	Shri C.V.Joshi	President, GSPTF, Gandhinagar
10.	Shri N.D.Gondaliya	Reader, GCERT, Gandhinagar
11.	Shri M.G.Prajapati	DPEO, Panchmahal
12.	Shri M.Z.Valvi	President, Dang District Primary Teachers Association

Officers who attended the meeting

No.	Name	Designation
1	Shri Ashok Sharma	Addl. State Project Director, SSA
2	Dr. D.R.Sharma	Secretary, SPO, SSA
3	Shri P.B.Kharchaliya	Finance and Accounts Officer
4	Shri V.G.Modi	OIC-Research & Evaluation
5	Dr. Darshana Joshi	OIC- Teachers Training
6	Shri V.J.Shah	State Project Engineer
7	Shri Asif Savant	OIC MIS
8	Shri Hitendra Joshi	OIC- A.S./Incharge State IED
9	Sh. Vishal Soni	DBA & S.A., CMS Branch
10	Ms. Darshna Suthar	OIC-Girls Education
11	Shri Haresh Chaudhari	Convener, QE Cell

