

## **Minutes of the 53rd Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE)**

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The 53rd Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE) was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Sujit Gulati, Additional Chief Secretary, Education Department at 15:30 hours on 1st October, 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 welcomed 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 52nd Meeting of the E.C. (4.6.2015)**

- 1.1 The Minutes of the 52nd meeting of the E.C. held on 4-6-2015 were confirmed as no member offered any suggestions or modifications.

### **Agenda-2 : ATR on the Minutes of 52nd meeting of the E.C.**

4(b)2(a) : On the pending issue regarding preparation of rules and procedure for school admission as well as to prescribe curriculum and evaluation procedure etc. for pre-school education, Shri Haresh Chaudhari, Curriculum Coordinator from GCERT presented that under section 29 (1) of the RTE Act, 2009, GCERT is specified as an academic authority for the purposes of the Act, vide Education Department Notification dated 14th July, 2011. The said section of the Act, clearly mentioned that GCERT has to laid down the curriculum and the evaluation procedure for elementary education only. While for the purposes for preparation of rules and procedure for pre-school admission and to prescribe curriculum and evaluation procedure etc. in pre-school education, the State Government is required to identify an appropriate authority under Rule 9(1) of the Gujarat RTE Rules, 2012.

The Chair informed GCERT to approach Government with a detailed proposal in this regard meanwhile, it may prepare drafts of (1) rules and procedure of pre-school and (2) curriculum and evaluation procedure as required under rules, 8, 9 and 10 of the Gujarat RTE Act, 2012.

4(b)2(b) : On the further issue regarding prescribe of form of certificate to be awarded to Child completing his elementary education, Shri Hareesh Chaudhari, Curriculum Coordinator from GCERT stated that a form of such certificate is prescribed and sent to the Government vide GCERT letter date 24.9.2015, with a request to prescribe it in a form of Government Resolution/ Notification.

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

The State Project Director presented component wise physical and financial progress made under SSA and KGBV. The details of which are as under.

#### **3.1 : Access: Transport Facility**

For children's access to elementary schools transportation arrangements have been made, for children of hard to reach area, scattered area and urban areas where children experience traffic problems, and opening of new schools in such area is not viable according to the prescribed norms. At present 104540 children comprising of 54319 boys and 502219 girls against targeted 99989 children have been covered under transportation arrangements, arranged by the SMCs, using public transport.

#### **3.2 : Special Training Programme**

Materials for Special Training such as Modules, Work books, Activity cards, Lesson cards, Flash cards have been developed with the approval of GCERT. Such materials have also been made available to children migrating from Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa, Arrangements have also been to provide MDM in STP Centres. Toll free help line for the coverage of all categories of Out of School Children as well as CWSN has been started at State, Districts and Municipal Corporations level. Migration Monitoring System (MMS) has also been developed by the State to track and cover the interstate and intra-state migratory children.

Till September, 2015, out of 22053 targeted out of school children, 11493 children comprising 5925 boys and 5568 girls were covered in 927 centres for months duration course. And out of 44062 targeted out of school children, 30156 children comprising 15286 boys and 14870 girls were covered in 2379 centres for 12 month duration course. While out of targeted 762 deprived children, 660 children comprising 370 boys and 290 girls were covered in 21 Residential Hostels, for 12 months duration.

### **3.3 : Quality : PRAGNA (Activity Base Learning)**

Pragna (phase-VI), an Activity Base Learning (ABL) approach initiated successfully in 20000 schools covering 32000 units, 55000 teachers and 15,20,000 students. NCERT approved Maths/Science kits have been provided to 6000 schools.

### **3.4 : Teachers Training**

Against 25,81,488 targeted man-days training 20,22,166 man-days training (for 2,15,124 teachers including 69000 Pragna teachers) have been completed, which achieved 73.34% of physical target for 2015-16.

Against approved 12 days In-service teachers training (8 days at Block level training and 4 days at cluster level training) 8 days training at Block level and 2 days training at cluster level has been completed. Remaining 2 days cluster level training is scheduled to be organized in December, 2015 and January, 2016.

3 days training approved for BRCs/CRCs and BRPs is scheduled to be organized in October, November, 2015.

### **3.5 : Equity-Inclusive Education (IE)**

Under IE programme, targets have been achieved in organizing 258 Assessment camps, Payment of Transport and Escort Allowance to 6000 needy children, and Hiring of Therapy services for 239 children.

At this juncture, the Chair pointed out that the progress is very low against the targets under activities like supply of Aid and Appliances, Corrective Surgery, and various kinds of training to be provided to RTs, BRPs, RPs, Teachers and Parents. This is a matter of concern and proper efforts should be made by the officer in-charge to achieve the targets in proper time.

### **3.6 : Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV)**

89 KGBVs in EBBs from SSA fund and 20 KGBVs (Model III) pattern in non EBBs from State fund were functional with enrolment of 7660 girls, comprising 37% ST, 6% SC, 2% Minority, 16% BPL and 39% OBC. 46 KGBVs were upgraded to Std. 9 and 10 with enrolment of 1188 and 597 girls respectively.

On the issue regarding construction of KGBV buildings, Shri V.J.Shah, SPE informed that 88 KGBVs have their own buildings. While for one KGBV at Kutch district construction work is in progress, likely to be completed in December, 2015.

### **3.7 : Infrastructure Civil Works**

Out of targeted construction works of 3226 class rooms, 2090 girls toilets, 3900 Boys toilets and 148 Major Repairs 51,114,264 and 73 works have been completed respectively and remaining other works are in progress at various stages.

### **3.8 : Management Information System (MIS)**

All the schools of Std. 1 to 12 were covered under U-DISE, 2014-15, and process of DISE-2015-16 is in progress. Under Adhar DISE 2014-15 (Child Tracking System), Data entries of fresh admission in Std. 1 have been completed in Formet-1, while Data updation in Std. 2 to 8 is in progress. On line applications have been maintained for monitoring of various schemes, under SSA.

### **3.9 : Financial Status-2015-16**

Against the total budgetary provisions of Rs.197359.78 lacs under SSA and KGBV for the year 2015-16, a fund of Rs.60015.74 lacs have been utilized till August, 2015 which is 30.41% of the total approved budget of the year.

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

Action Taken Report on the Commitments of PAB was presented to the E.C., E.C. took note of the compliances made.

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

E.C. took note of the progress under different components in compliance to RTE Act, 2009, as presented by the State Project Director.

### **Agenda-5: To accord sanction to the Management Set-up for SSA at newly created 24 Block (Talukas)**

The proposal regarding creation of Management set-up at newly created 24 Block (Talukas) was considered and agreed by the E.C.

E.C. accorded sanction to create Block (Taluka) level Management set-up as indicated in the Agenda item in 24 newly created Block (Talukas). The expenditure on this account will be met from 6 percentage Management cost available under the Budget provisions of SSA-RTE for the current year 2015-16.

**Agenda-6: Items presented with consent of the Chair.**

6.1 To take note of the revised fund sharing pattern between the central Government and the State Government, from the current fiscal year (2015-16)

The State project Director informed that vide notification No. 13(9)/PF-II/2004 dated 25.8.2015 from the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, the assistance under the programmes Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and KGBV, which was on 65:35 sharing arrangement pattern between the Central Government and the State Government has been revised to 50:50 from the current year 2015-16. Due to the excess budget and change in funding pattern, the amount of State share would likely be increased by Rs.46179.89 lacs in the State Budget in the current year 2015-16. Proposal for additional provision in the current year budget has been sent to Education Department, Government of Gujarat vide office letter dated 21.9.2015.

6.2: To accord sanction to forward a proposal to GOI for supplementary provision for Transportation facilities in the current year Budget.

Shri Hitendra Joshi, Officer In Charge A.S., submitted a proposal for additional fund of Rs.160.03 lacs to cover 10669 more children under the transportation facilities, as these children, residing in rural and urban area and do not find access to school within the walking distance of one or three kilometers.

E.C. took note of the proposal and gave consent to forward appropriate proposal in this regard to MHRD, GOI.

**Agenda-7 : In the discussion that accompanied the presentation following suggestions were made.**

7.1 : The Chair took note of the officers absent in the meeting. He informed that in some unavoidable circumstances where officer is unable to present in the meeting, he may send his well prepared next rank officer to attend the meeting.

7.2 : Ms. Tattwamasi, Nodal Officer of Monitoring Institution (SPIESER) suggested to build additional class rooms for Std.9 and 10 in the KGBVs. Shri V.J.Shah, SPE informed that it is a tendency to build additional class rooms for Std. 9 and 10 in KGBV where space for such construction is available. Accordingly, in 17 KGBVs such additional class rooms have been built till now.

7.3 : Shri R.C.Patel, Nodal Officer, Monitoring Institute (MSU) stated that no field visits have been taken up so far, as GOI has not still assign the task of Monitoring to M.Is.

7.4 : Prof. Yogesh Kumar form NCERT appreciated the steady progress made in implementation of various programmes under SSA-RTE in Gujarat. He further informed that support and guidance of NCERT and RI is easily available for the quality enhancement under SSA. State may ask for any support from NCERT and RI at State level programme like seminars, workshops etc. organized under SSA for quality enhancement.


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

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

**Annexure : A**

**The list of Participants who attended the 53<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of E.C. on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2015**

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Sujit Gulati	Chairperson, EC & Additional Chief Secretary, Edu. Dept.
2.	Shri Mukesh Kumar	State Project Director, SSA, Gujarat
3.	Shri Yogesh Kumar	Professor, NCERT, New Delhi
4.	Shri J.D.Dave	F.A. Education Department
5.	Dr.R.U.Purohit	Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar
6.	Dr. M.S.Acharya	Dy. Director, GIET, Ahmedabad
7.	Ms. Apexa Bhatt	State Programme Director, Mahila Samakhya, Gujarat
8.	Shri R.C.Patel	Professor MS University, Baroda
9.	Ms. Tattwamasi Paltasingh	Nodal Officer, Moni. Int., SPIESER, Ahmedabad
10.	Shri Jadeja Digvijaysinh	President, GSPTF, Gandhinagar
11.	Dr. L.D.Desai	Administrative Officer, Municipal School Board, Ahmedabad
12.	Shri M.G.Prajapati	DPC, Panchmahal
13.	Shri M.Z.Valvi	President, Dang District Primary Teachers Association
14.	Ms. Sunita H. Patel	ACL Labour Commissioner Office, Gandhinagar
15.	Ms. Neha Parmar	Govt. Labour Officer, Labour Commissioner Office, Gandhinagar

**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	Dr. Darshana Joshi	OIC- Teachers Training
5	Shri V.J.Shah	State Project Engineer
6	Shri Asif Savant	OIC MIS
7	Shri Hitendra Joshi	OIC- A.S./Incharge State IED
8	Sh. Vishal Soni	DBA & S.A. , CMS Branch
9	Ms. Darshna Suthar	OIC-Girls Education
10	Shri Haresh Chaudhari	Convener, QE Cell