Minutes of the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE)

The 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE) was held under the Chairpersonship of Ms. Sunaina Tomar, Principal Secretary, Education Department at 16:00 hours on **3rd December**, **2016** in the Conference Hall of the State Project Office, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Gandhinagar. The list of members who participated in the meeting is attached at Annexure-A.

Shri Mahesh Singh, State Project Director welcomed the Chairperson and all the members of the Executive Committee, presented in the meeting.

At the out set, State Project Director informed that, currently, the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is implemented in Gujarat as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in financial partnership with the State Government for universalizing elementary education across the State. It is implemented in a mission mode through registered State level autonomous society "the Gujarat Council of Elementary Education (GCEE)", with staff deputed from the State Government or appointed on contract. The Council has two organs-(1) a Governing Body with Chief Minister as ex-officio president, and (2) an Executive Committee under the Chairpersonship of the Principal Secretary, Education Department of the State. The Executive responsibility is vested within the State Project Director being the members Secretary of the Executive Committee and the Council.

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 55th Meeting of the E.C. (21.04.2016)

1.1 The Minutes of the 55th meeting of the E.C. held on 21.04.2016 were confirmed as no member offered any suggestions or modifications.

Agenda-2: ATR on the Minutes of 55th meeting of the E.C.

4(b)2(a): On the pending issue regarding preparation of rules and procedure for pre-school admission, the Director, GCERT presented that vide resolution dated 20.03.2015 the Department of Women and Child Development has constituted State level ECCE Council. As per the functions of the Council the work related to preparation of rules and procedure for pre-school admission is now within the preview of the Department of W.C.D. and the ECCE Council.

On the issue related to pre-school curriculum he informed that a workshop on finalization of pre-school curriculum was organized, and preparation of final draft curriculum is under the process at GCERT. The same will be submitted shortly to the Education Department for necessary action.

4(b)2(b): On the further issue regarding prescribe of form of certificate to be awarded to child completing his elementary education, the Director, GCERT informed that a form of such certificate is prescribed and sent to Education Department vide letter dated 24.09.2015, with a request to prescribed it in a form of resolution/notification. He further mentioned that the details of form and manner in which such certificate is to be awarded to a child, completing E.E. is mentioned in Rule 30(2) of the Gujarat RTE Rules, 2012. Accordingly GCERT has already prescribed a form of certificate and circulated to the schools. Thus at present Children completing Elementary Education are awarded the certificate as per the provisions of the rules.

The Chair informed that since the provisions of the rule is implemented, the issue is taken as settled.

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: Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV)

89 KGBVs in EBBs from SSA fund with enrolment of 6582 girls and 43 KGBVs (Model-III) in EBBs and non EBBs from the State fund with enrolment of 1614 girls are functional. While 56 KGBVs are upgraded to Std. 9 and 10, where 1814 girls are enrolled.

On the issue of constructions of KGBVs Buildings, the State Project Engineer informed that all the 89 KGBVs sanctioned under SSA have their own building constructed from SSA fund while out of 43 KGBVs sanctioned under the State fund, construction of 20 KGBVs is completed and construction of the rest 23 KGBVs is under process. The fund for the Construction of these KGBVs is obtained from the State fund.

3.2 : Civil Works

Out of targeted construction works of 3432 class rooms, 1295 girls toilets, 1595 boys toilets and 152 major repairing, 204, 488, 658 and 101 works have been completed respectively, and remaining works are in progress at various stages. Further, all the targeted 1,20,000 ABL classes have been provided with furniture.

3.3: Management Information System (MIS)

Under Aadhar DISE 2016-17 (Child Tracking System) Data entry of fresh admission in Std. 1 have been completed in format-1, Data updatation of Std. 2 to 8 completed in format-2, while Data entry for the students transferred from one school to another is under progress. Inclusion of students of Std. 9 to 12 in child wise data base is under progress.

3.4 : Access : Transport Facility

Out of targeted 1,41,854 Children in 'hard to reach' group in scattered and hilly area and in urban area where there is a problem of traffic and non availability of schooling facility and opening of new school is not viable due to the norms, within the neighborhood, 1,37,809 children including 71,339 boys and 66470 girls have been provided transport facility, through SMC, using Local/Public vehicles.

3.5: Special Training Programme (STP)

Out of targeted 73,721 out of School Children 52,758 Children including 28228 boys and 24530 girls are covered under various interventions such as STP centres, Residential Hostels and Seasonal Hostel.

3.6 : Quality: Teachers Training

Against the targeted 25,23,756 man days training (8days block level and 4 days cluster level training) for 2,10,313 teachers, 13,91,044 man days training (5 days block level and 2 days cluster level) has been completed till August, 2016, which achieved 55.12% of the physical target for 2016-17.

3.7 : **PRAGNA**

Pragna (Phase VII) an Activity Base Learning (ABL) approach initiated successfully in 22097 schools covering 2394792 Students during 2016-17.

3.8: Quality Enhancement Cell (QE Cell)

Pragna material has been revised according to the feedback received from the field, NCERT approved Math/Science kits provide to all upper primary schools. ADEPTS programme implemented in all the upper primary schools and all the primary school are covered from the second semester 2016-17.

3.9: Equity Inclusive Education for CWSN

Out of total identified 106713 CWSN, 92633 were enrolled in the schools. Against targeted 20126 CWSN, 14590 CWSN were provided with transport/escort allowance, through SMCs. 1902 CWSN were provided aid and appliances. and 38 were covered under corrective surgery. Therapy services were hired for all the targeted 258 CWSN. Large Printed Books, Magnify lances were provided to all the targeted 12243 Low Vision children, and Brail Books were also provided to all the targeted 2872 total blind children.

3.10 : SMC Training

3 day non residential training is sanction for 1,97,760 SMC members in 32960 Government Schools in the current year (2016-17). Training at State Level and District Level was completed. While Block, Cluster and School Level training is being organized.

3.11: Media and Documentation

Publicity Campaign about RTE Act, 2009 and its norms and various components under SSA such as, Girls Education, Inclusive Education Enrolment and Retention, Computer Education have been carried out to bring awareness among the people.

3.12 : Financial Status 2016-17

Against the total Budget provision of Rs.259135.02 lacs for SSA and KGBV during the current year, fund available with the state office was Rs.150730.34 lacs. Out of which Rs.111885.29 lacs have been utilized, which is 74.23% against the fund available and 43.18% against the total budgetary provisions.

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

Action taken report on the Commitment of PAB was presented to the EC. EC took note of the compliances made.

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, as presented by the State Project Director.

Agenda-5: To accord sanction to Bonus to State Project Office Staff on Contractual Basis (Class-III and Class-IV employees)

E.C. accorded post facto sanction to the payment of Bonus at the Rate of Rs.5000/- each paid in October, 2016 in the current year to the State Project Office Staff on Contractual Basis (Class-III and Class-IV employees) with a clear under standing that henceforth, no such Bonus is to be paid to such employees.

At this juncture, the Finance and Accounts Officer submitted that this staff is engaged under SSA on monthly fixed remuneration and purely temporary on short term contract not exceeding to 12 month at a time. On completion of the contract, the same is being renewed considering the performance of their work. They are not in receipt of any HRA, M.A., Transport Allowance and other benefits as available to similar class of employees in the State Government. Hence, he has requested EC to consider their case sympathetically and allow them to receive some fund as and incentive on every Diwali festival.

The Chair suggested that, the State Project Director if he deems fit may sanction any incentive amount to such employees on their work performance.

Item Presented with the Consent of the Chair

Agenda-6: To accord sanction to the Audited Accounts and Audit Report for the Financial year 2015-16

The Audited Accounts and Audit Report for the financial year 2015-16, presented by the Finance and Accounts Officer to the EC were approved with consent for onwards submission to the GOI.

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

sd/-(Mahesh Singh) State Project Director Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Gandhinagar sd/(Sunaina Tomar)
Chairman, EC &
Principal Secretary
Education Department, Gandhinagar

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Date: 17/12/2016

Copy forwarded with complements for information.

State Project Director Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Gandhinagar

To

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

Annexure: A

The list of Participants who attended the 56th Meeting of E.C. on 3rd December, 2016

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Ms. Sunaina Tomar	Chairperson, EC & Principal Secretary, Edu. Dept.
2.	Shri Mahesh Singh	State Project Director, SSA, Gujarat
3.	Shri H.F. Gandharva	Jt. & F.A. Education (On behaf of Sec. Exp-F.D.) Gandhinagar
4.	Shri M.I.Joshi	Director of Primary Education, Gujarat State
5.	Dr. T.S.Joshi	Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar
6.	Ms. Apeksha Bhatt	State Programme Director, Mahila Samakhya, Gujarat
7.	Ms. A.M.Chaudhari	DPC/DPEO, Panchmahal
8.	Dr. L.D.Desai	Administrative Officer, MSB, Ahmedabad
9.	Shri Jadeja Digvijaysinh	President, GSPTF, Gandhinagar
10.	Shri K. M. Joshi	Tribal Development Officer, Gandhinagar
11.	Shri M.C.Bhatt	Eng. In Charge, GIET
12.	Shri Apurv H. Patel	Asstt. Manager, WASMO, Gandhinagar

Officers who attended the meeting

No. Name Designation		
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Sh. P.K.Trivedi	Secretary, SPO, SSA	
Shri S.G.Vyas	Finance and Accounts Officer	
Shri V.G.Modi	OIC: Research & Evaluation	
Shri A.K.Bhati	OIC: Planning & Management/Media and Documentation	
Shri V.J.Shah	State Project Engineer	
Shri Haresh Chaudhari	Convener, Q.E. Cell	
Shri Hitendra Joshi	OIC- A.S./Incharge State IED	
Sh. Vishal Soni	DBA & S.A., CMS Branch	
Ms. Darshna Suthar	OIC-Girls Education	
	Name Sh. P.K.Trivedi Shri S.G.Vyas Shri V.G.Modi Shri A.K.Bhati Shri V.J.Shah Shri Haresh Chaudhari Shri Hitendra Joshi Sh. Vishal Soni	