

Minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE) - Samagra Shiksha

The 75th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education was held at 16:00 hrs on 7th March 2024 for review and sanction of the activities for Samagra Shiksha under the Chairmanship of Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS, Secretary (Primary & Secondary Education), Education Department. The list of all the members present in the meeting is attached at Annexure-A.

Dr. Ratankanvar H. Gadhavicharan, IAS, State Project Director extended a warm welcome to the Chairman and all the members of the Executive Committee and started the proceedings of the meeting as per the agenda. The minutes of the meeting are as under:

Agenda 1 & 2: To accord sanction to the Minutes of the 74th meeting of E.C. (02.08.2023)

The Minutes of the 74th Meeting of E.C. held on 02nd August 2023 along with the Action Taken Report were reviewed and unanimously approved, as there were no queries, suggestions or modifications on it.

Agenda 3: Physical and financial progress under the Project Samagra Shiksha
Approved.

Agenda 4: To accord sanction Annual Report of Samagra Shiksha Year 2022-23
Approved.

Agenda 5: To accord sanction for Vendors Selected for Printing and supply of Educational Material / TLM / Workbooks/ Booklets.

Tenders (15 Nos) for providing additional learning material and support to students of Government Primary and Secondary Schools under NIPUN Bharat Mission Learning Enhancement Program (LEP), PAT, Project Book, Educational Material / TLM/ Workbooks/ Booklets will be provided to Students of Grades 1 to 10 were published and successfully concluded.

Work Orders of total Rs.63,24,76,472.36/- has been given to the selected agencies against Estimated Cost of Rs. 84,64,15,020/- Printing and supply of Educational Material / TLM/ Workbooks/ Booklets after due tender process.

The same was approved.

Agenda 6: To accord sanction Musical instruments Grant for Elementary Schools.

Detailed guidelines were prepared by the experts for the procurement of musical instrument for Balvatika and Grades 1 and 2. Grant of ₹ 5,26,85,100 is proposed to be disbursed directly at the School-level to SMC for purchasing the musical instrument based on the enrolment of the Students and the guidelines.

The same was approved.

Agenda 7: To accord sanction Grant for Slate for Elementary Schools

Detailed guidelines were prepared for the procurement of Slates as TLM for Grades 1 & 2 Students at school-level. Accordingly, Grant of ₹ 6,79,35,315 is disbursed directly to SMC for purchasing the Slates based on the enrolment of the Students and the guidelines.

The same was approved.

Agenda 8: Appointment of Statutory Auditor for GOAL Project

After carrying out the tendering process on GeM, Maheshwari and Company, Chartered Accountant firm has been selected and appointed as "Statutory Auditors" for (1) World Bank-Asian Infrastructure Investment bank (AIIB) funded Gujarat Outcomes for Accelerated Learning (GOAL) Project, and (2) For Audit of Funds received under 100% State Government..

The same was approved.

Agenda 9: To accord sanction for Disposal of Vehicle Nos: GJ 18 G 1410 (Toyota Qualis) GJ 18 G 1411 (Toyota Qualis) and GJ 18 G 1894 (Maruti Suzuki Esteem)

Approved.

Agenda 10: To accord sanction for Absorption of Contractual Staff of Mahila Samakhya in State Project Office, Samagra Shiksha.

Approved.

Agenda 11: To accord sanction Upkeeping and Maintenance of New Building at Vidya Samiksha Kendra.

The matter of selection of agency for upkeep & maintenance of the New Building of VSK through open tender process was discussed in detail. It was informed to the Committee that by selecting an agency through tendering route may financially cost much higher than the current cost

of upkeeping & maintenance of VSK being carried out through in-house manner. Hence, it was decided that to continue upkeeping and maintenance of the New VSK Building under existing in-house arrangements with increase of resources as required.

Also decided to take services from various Sakhi Mandal (*Swasahay* Group) under Misson Mangalam project for cleaning of the New VSK Building.

Above mentioned expenditure to be borne by respective HODs.

The same was approved.

Agenda 12: To accord sanction for multiple tender packages of repairing, new construction of various secondary schools, KGBV, DIETS, BRC Bhavan, classrooms in elementary school, Hostels, Repair & Restoration of Heritage Schools and other allied activities under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI, GOG, NABARD.

Tendering Process for multiple repairing, New construction of various Secondary Schools, KGBV, DIETS, BRC Bhavan, Classrooms in Elementary Schools, Hostels, Repair & Restoration of Heritage School and other allied works under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI, GOG, NABARD is required to be carried as per regular process.

In addition to this, for the purpose of reporting Upgradation of Child-friendly School Infrastructure under DLI-5 of the GOAL Project, it was instructed that all the Schools Upgradation work including Major and Minor Repairing, building Toilet Blocks, Boundary Walls etc. along with installation of Smart Classrooms and Computer Labs shall be considered as School Upgradation and reported against DLI-5 targets. The requirement of New or Additional Classrooms is dependent on Students enrolment year-on-year, hence the same shall not be considered under the definition of the School Upgradation for the reporting purposes of the GOAL project.

The same was Approved.

Agenda 13: To accord sanction for workorder to be released for various packages under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI, GOG, PPM, PMVY, CSR and NABARD.

Tendering process for total 118 packages under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI, GOG, PPM, PMVY, CSR and NABARD were concluded successfully. Work Order for amounting Rs. 450.30 Crores for the same are to be issued.

The same was Approved.

Agenda 14: To accord sanction for workorder to be released for the procurement of plastic Chairs in 12000 ICT Labs under Mission Schools of Excellence in various districts through GEM portal.

Tendering process in 2 packages for the procurement of Plastic Chairs in 12,000 ICT Labs under Mission Schools of Excellence in various districts through GEM portal was completed successfully. Work Orders amounting Rs. 14.427 Crores for the same are to be issued.

The same was approved.

Agenda 15: To accord sanction for Excess and Extra amount exceeding 30% over the accepted tender amount under package number SS/ACR/ABD/2914.

The additional work under package number SS/ACR/ABD/2914 which was amounting to Rs. 99.29 Lakhs was carried out, as it was necessary to complete this work along with the current scope of work to make the school functional.

The same was approved.

Agenda 16: To accord sanction for the excess work under Package No. SS/KGBV/REP/POR/3297 in Porbandar District.

The additional work under package No. SS/KGBV/REP/POR/3297 for the construction of Khapat KGBV, Porbandar amounting Rs.5,15,64,226.49/- due to revision in design effecting to significant increase in the total built up area. The area of the old design was 5692.09 sq.m. While according to the new design, the area of the building is 8570.09 sq.m. The increase in the area has led to excess work of 2878 sq. m.

The same was approved.

Agenda from Chair with the consent of the Chairman:

Agenda From the Chair-1:

Regarding development of Digital Infrastructure Facilities of Computer Lab & Smart Class in Government and Grant-In-Aid Secondary & Higher Secondary Schools under Mission Schools of Excellence.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair-2:

To appoint Canara Bank as the Single Nodal Agency (SNA) for Funds Management under PAB PM JANMAN.

Canara Bank was selected & appointed as the Single Nodal Agency (SNA) for Funds Management under PAB PM JANMAN.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-3:

To accord sanction to the Audited Accounts and Audit Report of Samagra Shiksha for financial year 2022-23.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair-4:

To accord sanction for appointment of Gujarat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organization Ltd (GITCO) for conducting post procurement audit of GOAL project.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair-5:

Regarding post-facto approval for development, maintenance & Cloud-based hosting services procured by Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE), Samagra Shiksha (SS) from M/s GIPL.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair- 6:

Regarding GeM Contract Order issued to M/s. Convegenius Edu Solutions Pvt. Limited for providing IT Services for the augmentation and upgradation of MIS Applications & Dashboards at "Vidya Samiksha Kendra" vide GeM Contract Order No. GEMC-511687715174695 dated 11.08.2023 based on competitive bidding process carried out under GeM bid No. GEM/2023/B/3469211 dated 19.05.2023.

The bid was published on GeM vide GeM bid No. GEM / 2023 / B / 3469211 dated 19.05.2023 to select an IT Service Provider for the augmentation and upgradation of MIS Applications & Dashboards at "Vidya Samiksha Kendra". The GeM tender has concluded successfully and GeM Contract Order was issued to M/s.Convegenius Edu Solutions Pvt Limited with order value Rs. 5,70,55,819.20 with tax for 5 years.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair- 7:

Regarding work order issued to BSNL for supply, installation, commissioning & maintenance of BSNL Telecom Infrastructure at New Building of Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK) vide Work Order No. SSA/MIS2023/40604 dated 24.08.2023.

Work Order for the Telecom Infrastructure at New Building of Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK) along with IPPBX and IP Phone was issued to BSNL by Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE), Samagra Shiksha (SS) with WO No. SSA/MIS2023/40604 dated 24.08.2023 for Total Charges Rs.59,72,100/- without taxes for supply, installation, commissioning & maintenance Telecom Infrastructure along with 3 years AMC support. Moreover, the additional work order was issued for additional quantity of 20 Nos. PoE Switches with order value Rs.11,08,000/- without taxes.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair- 8:

Regarding GeM bid published for Selection of Service Provider for Design, Development/upgradation, Customization, Integration, Implementation, Capacity Building, and Operations & Maintenance of Multi-level Artificial Intelligence (AI) enhanced Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK 2.0).

The bid was published on GeM vide GeM bid No. GEM/2023/B/4177815 dated 06.11.2023 for Selection of Service Provider for Design, Development/upgradation, Customization, Integration, Implementation, Capacity Building, and Operations & Maintenance of Multi-level Artificial Intelligence (AI) enhanced Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK 2.0) and GeM Contract Order was issued to M/s. Convegenius Edu Solutions Pvt Limited with order value Rs.19,00,00,000/- with tax for 5 years.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair- 9:

To accord sanction Audited Accounts and Audit Report of Gujarat Outcomes for Accelerated Learning (GOAL) Project for financial year 2022-23.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair-10:

To accord sanction for work order to be released for repairing & new construction of various Secondary Schools, KGBV, DIETs, BRC Bhavan, Classrooms in Elementary Schools, Classrooms in Secondary Schools, Hostels and other allied activities under Pkg. No. 3662 to 3810.

For repairing & new construction of various Secondary Schools, KGBV, DIETs, BRC Bhavan, Classrooms in Elementary Schools, Classrooms in Secondary Schools, Hostels and other allied activities tenders under Pkg. No. 3662 to 3810 were published.

After the Technical and Financial Evaluation of all received bids, 96 packages have been qualified. Out of all qualified packages,

- There were 75 packages (Sr no. 01 to 75) in which negotiated rate by the bidder is below or at par with the estimated rates, hence put up for approval to issue work orders.
- For remaining 21 packages, it was instructed to re-negotiate & convince the agencies to work at estimated rates. In case the agencies agree to work at the estimated rates, the work shall be awarded to the agencies accordingly, else it will be retendered.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-11:

To accord sanction for Work Order to be released for Third Party Audit for the Whole School Development Plan App and System project.

The Work Order for the Third-party Audit for Whole School Development Plan (WSDP) project has been awarded to M/s (n)Code Solutions- A Division of GNFC limited (which is a Government PSU entity) to ensure the proper functioning and reliability of the online Measurement Book and Billing System. The value of work order Rs. 4.32 Lakh plus taxes.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-12:

To accord sanction for Excess and Extra amount exceeding as per clause no. 38.3 of section II over the accepted tender amount under the package numbers mentioned at Annexure.

The total excess and extra amount for the 6 packages was Rs.825.15 lakhs.

The same is approved.

Agenda From the Chair-13:

To accord sanction for Work Order to be released for the procurement of Student Desks and Chairs in 5,382 schools under Mission Schools of Excellence in various districts through GEM portal.

Approved.

Agenda From the Chair-14:

To accord sanction for Work Order to be released for various packages for new construction of Secondary Schools under COS and 100 Students Capacity Hostels under PM JANMAN.

The total Work Order to be released for various packages for new construction of Secondary Schools under COS and 100 Students Capacity Hostels under PM JANMAN for the 10 packages is amounting to Rs. 28.05 crores.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-15:

To accord sanction for release of Work Order for construction of BRC Bhavan approved under AWP&B (2020-21) as additional works in existing packages.

Approved. It was suggested that all the infrastructure required in BRC Bhavans and Schools under SoE where enrolment has increased shall be considered for upgradation in upcoming tenders.

Agenda From the Chair-16:

To accord sanction for additional Construction of Tensile structure, Furniture, Glass works, ELV works, and other development works for the Vidya Samiksha Kendra under the work of Command-and-Control Centre 2.0, Stage-III, IV, V at Gandhinagar.

The additional Construction of Tensile structure, Furniture, Glass works, ELV works, and other development works of approximate total amount of Rs. 1690.00 lakh was proposed for the Vidya Samiksha Kendra under the work of Command-and-Control Centre 2.0, Stage-III, IV, V at Gandhinagar.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-17:

To accord sanction for Work Order to be released for various packages under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI, and PM SHRI.

The bids received for the tenders invited for the work of upgradation & construction of New Classrooms under Mission Schools of Excellence, GOI & PM SHRI were evaluated technically and financially, and 362 bidders were qualified. The rates quoted by the bidders ranged from -11.91 % to 0.00 % of the estimated cost put up in the tender. Hence it is proposed to issue the total work order for the 362 packages for Rs. 1028.07 crore which is 2.21 % below the total estimated cost of tender Rs. 1051.30 crore.

For the remaining packages of qualified bidders, renegotiation shall be taken up and in case the qualified agencies agree to work at the estimated rates or below, the work shall be awarded to the agencies accordingly, else shall be retendered.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-18:

To accord sanction for providing Laptops to all the District Project Coordinator (DPEO/DEO).

The matter of providing Laptops to all the District Project Coordinators (DPEO/DEO) was discussed in detail & it was proposed to purchase the Laptops from prevailing bulk bids / Rate Contract of Gujarat Informatics Limited.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-19:

To accord sanctions to the Annual Work Plan & Budgets (AWP&Bs) submitted for the Project Approval Boards (PABs) of Centrally Sponsored Schemes - Samagra Shiksha, PM SHRI, and PM JANMAN.

It was informed to the committee that Annual Work Plan & Budgets (AWP&Bs) for the Project Approval Board (PAB) for the following Centrally Sponsored Schemes were submitted to Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL)

1. For Samagra Shiksha
 - 1.1. Proposal submitted for AWP&B FY 2024-25 for Rs.3440.33 Cr.
2. For PM SHRI
 - 2.1. Proposal submitted for AWP&B FY 2023-24 for Rs.140.20 Cr and PAB approved Rs. 109.79 Cr.
 - 2.2. Proposal submitted for AWP&B FY 2024-25 for Rs. 38.37 Cr
3. For PM JANMAN
 - 3.1. Proposal submitted for AWP&B FY 2023-24 for Rs. 22.00 Cr and PAB approved Rs. 8.25 Cr.
 - 3.2. Proposal submitted for AWP&B FY 2024-25 for Rs. 22.00 Cr

The PAB Meetings for all above Schemes were completed successfully.

The same was approved.

Agenda From the Chair-20:

To accord sanction to the extension of contract with M/s Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP for a period of three years for work awarded for Project Management Consultancy Services for implementation & monitoring of World Bank funded GOAL-SEEP project.

The work for Project Management Consultancy Services for implementation & monitoring of World Bank and AIIB funded GOAL-SEEP project has been awarded & contract agreement has been signed with M/s Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP for a period of three years starting from 12/07/2021 to 11/07/2024.

As per the terms of original RFP No. GCSE-SS /WB- GOAL/2021-22/PMC, dated 26/04/2021 and subsequently issued Work Order & Contract Agreement dated 12/07/2021, there is a provision to extend the Contract Period for 3 years on the same terms & conditions. With around 3 months left in the current Contract Period and looking to the ongoing implementation of activities and progress of achievements of GOAL project DLIs, it was decided to extend the contract period of M/s Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP for Project Management Consultancy Services for implementation & monitoring of GOAL-SEEP project for a further period of three (3) years starting from 12/07/2024 to 30/09/2027 (end of the GOAL Project as per World Bank Contract). A fresh Work Order for the same shall be issued.

The same was approved.

Respected Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS, concluded the meeting by expressing appreciation and gratitude to the entire team of the Gujarat Council for School Education – Samagra Shiksha. He commended the leadership of the State Project Director for the remarkable efforts in executing unprecedented initiatives such as Upgradation and Holistic Transformation of 20,000+ Schools under the Mission Schools of Excellence program. Additionally, their adept management of staff recruitment process through the Gyan Sahayak policy, and successful implementation of the Gyan Shakti Residential Schools of Excellence programs, including adherence to SOPs, selection of project partners, and distribution of school vouchers, were acknowledged as commendable achievements over the past few years. The entire team was encouraged to maintain this momentum to enhance schooling and learning opportunities for students in the State.


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

Sd/-
(Dr. Ratankanvar H. Gadhavicharan, IAS)
State Project Director
Samagra Shiksha
Gandhinagar

Sd/-
(Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS)
Chairman EC and
Secretary (Pri. & Sec. Edu.)
Education Department, Gandhinagar

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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 75th Meeting of E.C. on 07th March, 2024

| No. | Name | Designation |
|-----|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. | Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS | Chairperson, EC & Secretary (Pri. & Sec. Edu.), Edu. Dept. |
| 2. | Dr. Ratankanvar H. Gadhavicharan, IAS | State Project Director, Samagra Shiksha, Gujarat |
| 3. | Ms. A.T.Sangad | F.A., Education |
| 4. | Sh. Prakash K. Trivedi | Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar |
| 5. | Dr. (Kum) Darshana G. Joshi | Jt. Director, Director of Primary Education |
| 6. | Sh. Harshad Chaudhari | Asstt. Director, GSSTB, Gandhinagar |
| 7. | Sh. V.M.Patel | DPEO, Banaskantha |
| 8. | Ms. Gayatriben H. Patel | DPEO, Panchmahal |
| 9. | Dr. Sandip Bhatt | Representation Commissioner Higher Education |
| 10. | Sh. D.I.Chudasama | Section Officer, GAD, Planning |

Officers who attended the meeting from Samagra Shiksha

| No. | Name | Designation |
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| 1. | Dr. M.M.Patel , GAS | Addl. State Project Director, Samagra Shiksha |
| 2. | Sh. Mahesh Mehta | Secretary, Samagra Shiksha |
| 3. | Ku. S.B.Maheshwari | Finance and Accounts Officer, Samagra Shiksha |
| 4. | Sh. Kalpesh Maheta | Asstt. Director (IT), MIS, Samagra Shiksha |
| 5. | Ms. Medhavini P. Shashtri | OIC: Women's Developments, Samagra Shiksha |
| 6. | Sh. Raheman A. Parbadia | OIC: QEM, Samagra Shiksha |
| 7. | Sh. H.R.Tanna | State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha |
| 8. | Sh. J.K.Vanzara | Addl. State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha |
| 9. | Sh. Asif Savant | OIC: MIS, Samagra Shiksha |
| 10. | Sh. Vishal Soni | DBA & SA, Samagra Shiksha |
| 11. | Sh. Hitendra Joshi | OIC A.S. / V. E. Samagra Shiksha |
| 12. | Ms. Darshnaben Suthar | OIC: Girls Education, Samagra Shiksha |