Minutes of the 76th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE) - Samagra Shiksha

The 76th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education was held at 13:00 hrs on 29th June 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 75th meeting of E.C. (07.03.2024) & ATR on 75th EC Meeting

The Minutes of the 75th Meeting of E.C. held on 07th March 2024 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: Regarding Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) submitted for 174 PM SHRI Schools for the year 2024-25 to Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India Approved.
- Agenda 5: To accord sanction for vendors selected for printing and supply of Educational Material / TLM / Workbooks/ Booklets

The selection of agencies for printing and supply of Educational Material / TLM / Workbooks/ Booklets amounting to Rs. 23.68 crores was approved.

Agenda 6: To accord sanction for Vendors Selected for Supply of Printed Maps (Social Science Kit)

The selection of M/s Design Dialogues Indian Pvt. Ltd for amount of Rs. 7,66,72,800/- for printing and supply of Printed Maps (Social Science Kit) was approved.

Agenda 7: RAVI-Reinventing and Augmenting Versatile Indian Toys kits from Children University Gandhinagar

The work for developing RAVI-Reinventing and Augmenting Versatile Indian Toys kits was given to Children University, Gandhinagar on 21/02/2024. Since significant time has lapsed & there was no progress in the work, it was directed to get the said work executed under GCSE.

Agenda 8: To accord sanction on proposal for approval of Vocational Labs to be procured through the process of GeM

The proposal for procurement of 744 Vocational Labs in 655 schools through GEM portal was approved.

Agenda 9: To accord sanction for Excess and Extra amount exceeding as per clause no. 38.3 of section II over the accepted tender amount under below mentioned package numbers

The excess and extra amount as per clause no. 38.3 of section over the accepted tender amount for the mentioned packages of respective districts- Ahmedabad-SS/SOE/UPS/ABD/299, Banaskantha- SS/ACR/BK/3400, Dang- SS/ACR/DANG/3434, Kheda-SS/KGBV/KHE/3253, Vadodara-SS/CSR-ACR/VAD/2911 numbers was approved.

Agenda 10: To accord sanction for the provision of Swachhata Kit form Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. (GNFC) Neem Products in Government Elementary and Secondary Schools, KGBVs, ALS Hostels and Ashram Shala Approved.

Agenda 11: To accord sanction for the excess work under Package No. SS/KGBV/SK/3308 in Sabarkantha District

The excess work under Package No. SS/ KGBV/ SK/ 3308 in Sabarkantha District for the increase in area amounting approximately Rs. 9.49 Cr was approved.

Agenda from Chair: 12 with the consent of the Chairman: Agenda No.-12.1: To accord sanction regarding post-facto approval for all the activities carried out during the Praveshotsav-2024.

The expenditure of total amount Rs. 2.38 Cr pertaining to the activities like - Hoardings, Temporary Hoardings, LED TV etc.; Jingle; Advertisement in Newspaper (Empanel List of Information Accounts); Praveshotsav Book – 2024; Advertisement in DD Girnar and LED TV; Namo Laxmi and Namo Saraswati Gyansadhana Scheme Documentary Film; Documentary Film; Event on June 24, 2024 (Sabarmati Hall, Swarnim Sankul); Documentary film of Bharat Sadhana Material; undertaken during the Praveshotsav-2024 program was approved.

Agenda No.-12.2: To accord sanction regarding post-facto approval for allocation of honorarium grant to the District Project Co-ordinator in special cases for local level teachers in English Medium Government Schools in Porbandar and Devbhoomi Dwarka district.

The allocation of honorarium grant of Rs. 27,72,000/- for local level teachers in English Medium Government Schools in Porbandar and Devbhoomi Dwarka districts to be given to the District Project Co-ordinator as special cases, was approved.

Agenda No.-12.3: To accord sanction for issuance of Workorder for 182 Packages amounting 546.22 Cr. for which request for approval of Additional budget Amounting Rs 3935 Cr. is submitted to Finance Department vide letter no. SSG/OW/e-file/354/2024/0114/Civil Dated 04/04/2024.

The approval was granted in-principle for issuance of Work Order for 182 Packages amounting Rs. 546.22 Cr. for which request for approval of additional budget amounting Rs. 3935 Cr. is submitted to Finance Department vide letter no. SSG/OW/e-file/354/2024/0114/Civil Dated 04/04/2024. It was also suggested to

follow it up with Finance Department for the approval of the additional budget requested.

Agenda No.-12.4: To accord sanction for opening a financial bid for multiple Tenders invited for Repairing and New classrooms under Mission schools of excellence for which request for approval of Additional budget Amounting Rs 3935 Cr. is submitted to Finance Department vide letter no. SSG/OW/e-file/354/2024/0114/Civil Dated 04/04/2024.

The approval was given for opening the financial bids for multiple Tenders invited for Repairing and New classrooms under Mission schools of excellence for which request for approval of Additional Budget amounting to Rs 3935 Cr. is submitted to Finance Department vide letter no. SSG/OW/e-file/354/2024/0114/Civil Dated 04/04/2024. It was also suggested to follow it up with Finance Department for the approval of the requested additional budget.

Further, the issue related to the provisional seating arrangement for Students was discussed. The Committee had taken note of the issues faced by Schools related to seating arrangement of Students where the Civil Works for School Building is pending or delayed due to land related issues or where Classrooms are under construction, which is more prominent in the urban areas.

In such cases it is imperative to make provisional seating arrangement for students in any school-like alternate building, which could either be arranged through CSR or local arrangements or can be allowed to be taken on rent for a specific period. It was directed that Directorate Primary Education (DPE) shall form a policy based on Roads & Buildings Department norms in consultation with relevant stakeholders to finalize district or area specific rent for the provisional arrangement of schooling under such exceptional cases.

Agenda No.-12.5: To accord sanction for allocation of additional work for 972 schools Amounting Rs. 344.30 Cr in ongoing tenders under Mission schools of Excellence.

The approval was given for to award the additional works for 972 schools amounting Rs. 344.30 Cr. in anticipation of revised in-principle approval from Finance

Department and till then expenditure for the same shall be booked under SOE EAP budget head.

Agenda No.-12.6: To accord sanction for awarding additional work for supplying School furniture (Desk & Chair) under Mission schools of Excellence in the GeM/2023/B/3349535, GeM/2023/B/4415273, GeM/2024/B/4422646, GeM/2024/B/4420259, GeM/2024/B/4420808

Approved the additional work of Rs. 152.97 crores for the five packages as mentioned shall be booked under EAP-SOE budget head.

Agenda No.-12.7: To accord sanction for release of payment of price variation (Star rate) in all the tender packages civil works undertaken by Samagra Shiksha as per Resolution published by R&B Department, GOG.

Approval was given for release of payment of price variation for 110 packages amounting to Rs. 2244.15 Lakh which are at final bill stage, as per GR published by R&B Department, GOG for Star Rates.

Agenda No.-12.8: Approval for Conversion of Video Wall-1 to Bezelless Display,
Landscaping & infrastructure Maintenance, and Internal
Modifications for Samagra Shiksha Staff Relocation at Vidya
Samiksha Kendra

Considering the Technical Requirements for upgradation of Video Wall and infrastructural requirements of the new Vidya Samiksha Kendra building, due to shifting of Samagra Shiksha staff, the proposed expenses towards the necessary modifications were approved.

Agenda No.-12.9: Budget provisions for Common Entrance Test (CET) & Gyan Sadhana exam

The Common Entrance Test (after Grade 5) and Gyan Sadhana Test (after Grade 8) started in the year 2023 are the pivotal tests for all the reformatory schemes like Gyan

Shakti Residential and Tribal Residential Schools, Raksha Shakti Schools, Gyan Setu merit scholarship, and Gyan Sadhana merit scholarship which will be conducted every year. A total of 5.34 lakh students appeared for CET and 4.46 lakh students appeared for Gyan Sadhana Test during March 2024. The participation of Students in the Tests will also increase in future to avail benefits of these schemes.

The State Examination Board (SEB) is conducting and managing these Tests since last two years, but since most of these schemes are related to Secondary Grades and implemented through Commissioner of Schools, it was directed to create a new Budget Head and make Budget Provisions for expenses of the same under CoS from FY 2025-26 onwards.

For the expenses of Common Entrance Test (CET) & Gyan Sadhana Exam conducted in March 2024, it was decided that the expenditure for CET may be booked under MMER Head of Samagra Shiksha and the expenditure for Gyan Sadhana Exam may be booked under the appropriate head of the State Education Board (SEB).

Respected Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS, expressed his profound appreciation for the excellent work of the Gujarat Council of School Education - Samagra Shiksha office in executing various initiatives efficiently and timely in recent years. He particularly emphasized about the encouraging positive feedback from Hon'ble Ministers, Dignitaries, and Senior Government Officials regarding the enhanced Schooling Infrastructure provided under the Mission Schools of Excellence program which is leading to better learning environment for Students. This feedback was received during the Shala Praveshotsav event, which took place from June 26 to 28, 2024, throughout the State.

In addition, the Chairman commended the outstanding efforts of the Quality Enhancement branch for the development and distribution of State-specific specialized Teaching-Learning Material (TLM) for Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) under the NIPUN Bharat program. The Chairman also praised the meticulous work done over the past year for setting-up Gyan Shakti Residential

Schools including selection of Institutional Partners, developing Guidelines & SOPs, managing admission process etc.

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

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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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State Project Office, Samagra Shiksha, Sector-17, Gandhinagar

Date: 25/07/2024

Copy forwarded with complements for information.

State Project Director

State Project Office Samagra Shiksha, Gandhinagar

To

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

 $\underline{Annexure: A}$ The list of Participants who attended the 76th Meeting of E.C. on 29th June, 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.	Sh. Prajesh R. Rana	Director, Director of Schools, Gandhinagar
4.	Dr. M.I.Joshi	Director, Director of Primary Education, Gandhinagar
5.	Sh. A.R.Thakkar	Jt. Director, Higher Education, Gandhinagar
6.	Sh. B.N.Rajgor	Jt. Director, GSHSEB, Gandhinagar
7.	Sh. Prakash K. Trivedi	Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar
8.	Ms. A.M.Chaudhari	Dy. Director, GIET, Ahmedabad
9.	Ms. Gayatriben H. Patel	DPEO, Panchmahal
10.	Sh. K.D.Bavaliya	Section Officer, Representative-FA, Edu. Gandhinagar
11.	Sh. Digvijaysinh D. Jadeja	President, Gujarat State Primary Teachers Association

Officers who attended the meeting from Samagra Shiksha

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Ku. Binduben G. Kodiyatar	Director, Controller of Finance, 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.	Sh. Raheman A. Parbadia	OIC: QEM, Samagra Shiksha
6.	Sh. H.R.Tanna	State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha
7.	Sh. J.K. Vanzara	Addl. State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha
8.	Ms. Meera K. Vyas	Account Officer, 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