

Minutes of the 69th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE) Samagra Shiksha

The 69th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education was held at 16:30 hrs on 13th September 2021, 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: To accord sanction to the Minutes of the 68th E.C. meeting held on 28.04.2021

The Minutes of the 68th Meeting of E.C. held on 28th April 2021 were reviewed and unanimously approved, as no members offered any suggestions or modifications.

Agenda-2: Physical & Financial Progress under the Project Samagra Shiksha

2.1 Gender Education / Model Schools Branch:

2.1.1 With opening of Residential Hostels and Schools post Covid-19 lockdown, it was suggested to take proactive approach in increasing and ensuring proper occupancy in KGBVs.

2.1.2 It was also suggested to prepare and submit upgradation plan of all KGBVs up to Grade 12, keeping futuristic planning of the State in the view.

2.1.3 It was suggested that Model Schools being a part of erstwhile scheme, will continue to be named and function as “Model Schools”.

2.1.4 It was suggested to bring parity in salaries of existing Model Day School Contractual Teachers with the proposed Model School Contractual Teachers salary slabs, subject to meeting the required qualification and experience criteria.

2.2 MIS- Management Information System Branch:

2.2.1 It was suggested to initiate implementation of Face Recognition-based Attendance System and provision to get the Application hosted through GIPL.

2.2.2 It was suggested to follow up with District and Field-officers and ensure timely data entry in Child Tracking System and UDISE+ and to ensure that MIS data validation process is in place and active.

2.3 Quality Enhancement & Monitoring Branch:

2.3.1 It was suggested to identify key components and plan its procurement and provisioning in advance for the subsequent academic year. Specially for critical activities like printing and distribution of textbooks, PAT answer-books, Pragna books & material distribution etc., the planning must be done in advance and with required priority to ensure its availability and distribution up to last mile in time.

2.3.2 It was suggested to ensure complete occupancy of BRCs and CRCs positions keeping their important role for school monitoring & support. Considering it, the recruitment process of the vacant positions be conducted frequently through waiting list or recruitment, to ensure minimal vacancy.

- 2.3.3 Considering the deputation tenure of 5 years (3 + 2 years) for some of the existing BRCs / CRCs getting over in Mar-22, planning shall be made either through renewal, extension or recruitment through deputation or open hiring for such positions.
- 2.3.4 It was suggested to ensure that all textbooks up to Grade-12 have QR codes embedded.

2.4 Vocational Education Branch:

- 2.4.1 It was suggested to make presentation on Vocational Education in the state. It was also suggested to explore coworking possibilities for Vocational Education in collaboration with Directorate of Employment & Training (DET).
- 2.4.2 Vocational Education being one of the key components in the Schools of Excellence program, planning to align and integrate the existing Vocational scheme for Upper Primary and Secondary grades with SoE components to be done.
- 2.4.3 It was also suggested to ensure that maximum KGBV and Model schools receives Vocational Education integration.

2.5 Inclusive Education Branch:

- 2.5.1 It was suggested to make presentation on In-School Resource Rooms (In-RR) at Cluster-level and School Transportation provisions to further align it with implementation of Schools of Excellence.
- 2.5.2 It was also suggested to define Priority Levels - Level 1 for Basic Accessibility across School campus, Level-2 for Aids & Appliances Support and Level-3 for Learning Inclusion. Accordingly, the level-wise implementation shall be prioritized in SoE schools.

2.6 Establishment Branch:

- 2.6.1 It was suggested to explore possibilities of revising salary slabs of District Coordinators and SoE District Coordinators to create opportunities for better competent resources.
- 2.6.2 It was also suggested to ensure recruitment is completed in the required time frame

2.7 Civil Branch:

- 2.7.1 It was suggested to share the Sports equipment procurement and distribution process being conducted in Academic year 2019-20.
- 2.7.2 It was also suggested to conduct need analysis for sports equipment before procuring the sports equipment in next round. The sports equipment shall be selected and distributed in schools based on the number of students, ground availability, and other sports-conducive facilities in the school. Priority shall be given to SoE schools for sports equipment distribution.
- 2.7.3 Several attempts were made to select contractor for small school or district-level works and even after it, the prices discovered were found to be on the higher side of the Schedule of Rates. Considering this, it was suggested to club tendering for such small-scale works, and conduct procurement at Zone or State-level. It was also suggested to redefine Tendering process, revise qualification criteria in line with World Bank & other compliances and introduce processes like Reverse Auction to explore competitive prices and wider participation of bidders for timebound quality work.
- 2.7.4 It was suggested to Civil branch that they should explore possibilities of having Project Implementation Unit (PIU), similar to one which is in Health Department, GoG.
- 2.7.5 It was also suggested to explore possibilities of software-based payment system for the Civil branch.

Agenda-3: To accord sanction Gujarat Council of School Education-Samagra Shiksha for MoU Signed with M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd. for Implementing banking and operational support services for Implementation of Public Finance Management System (PFMS) for Central Sponsored Schemes (Samagra Shiksha) up to the last mile field-level offices implementation Agencies across the Gujarat State.

Kept pending for further discussion.

Agenda-4: Request of M/s. Bennett, Coleman & Company Ltd (BCCL) received in the matter of levy of penalty under Gyankunj Phase-II (2019-20) project.

Matter was discussed in detail and suggested to obtain further legal opinion from State's Advocate General (AG) on this matter and accordingly take further action.

Agenda -5: To accord sanction Post of Primary Teachers for Std. 1 to 5 & Std. 6 to 8 recruitment process for 11 months on contract basis for English medium schools through Samagra Shiksha.

5.1 It was principally decided to create detailed plan for Government English medium schools in coordination with key stakeholders.

5.2 It was also suggested to explore possibilities of recruiting Teachers for Govt. English Medium schools through Third-party Outsourcing mode, by ensuring the Qualification and Experience requirements with proper remuneration scales in parity with existing Contractual Teacher salary slabs.

Agenda: 6 From the Chair

(1) Requested for approval to accept the proposal received from BSNL for an integrated solution to be deployed at Command & Control Centre (CCC) for Schools to act as a Unified Helpdesk with toll free number '#####':

Approved. It was suggested to make a detailed presentation on the proposed solution to the State Project Director and subsequently issue a G2G order to M/s. BSNL. It was also suggested to finalize a Toll-Free number, easy to popularize.

(2) Requested for approval to issue work order to M/s.Aarti Saandeep Patel (Trade Name- Akshar Communication, Ahmedabad) for developing the documentary films on Schools of Excellence in three languages: English, Hindi & Gujarati

Approved as proposed.

(3) Requested for approval to issue work order to M/s.Adit Microsys Pvt. Ltd for website development of Mission Schools of Excellence

Approved. The SoE website development proposal is with 5-years maintenance period, it was hence suggested to negotiate it in line with Samagra Shiksha website contract terms and finalize.

(4) Requested for approval to sign MoU with M/s. ConveGenius Edu Solutions to get support for setting up the Assessment Cell under the Science of Learning (SoL) unit at Command and Control Centre (CCC 2.0)

Approved. It was suggested to review the MoU for the proposed services being offered and its outcomes are in alignment to State's objectives and finalize.

(5) To accord sanction to EY's proposal for "Data dashboards augmentation for Command & Control Centre (CCC 2.0)" for Samagra Shiksha – Gujarat

Approved for the proposed activity for CCC Dashboard augmentation. It was also suggested to add provisions for its further periodic and offsite maintenance for at least 1 year.

(6) To accord sanction for the construction of new B.Ed college building and renovation of old building at DIET in Jamnagar district deposited by GCERT

Approved as proposed.

(7) To accord sanction for the repair/renovation of GCERT building at Gandhinagar deposited by GCERT

Approved as proposed.

(8) To accord sanction for the additional cost for Command & Control (C.C.C.) 2.0 Phase-III

Under CCC 2.0 Phase-III, in order to accommodate other Educational Department HoDs as per discussion, the scope for development of civil infrastructure building is increased to Ground +6 floors from Ground+3 floors building. For previously G+3 building, tender was already floated and M/s. Visnagar Taluka Majur Sahkari Mandali, Visnagar was allotted the work. Now, due to increase in scope, revised foundation work and Ground+3 floors will be executed by the same finalized agency i.e. M/s. Visnagar Taluka Majur Sahkari Mandali, Visnagar. The cost of increased scope for additional foundational work as well as change in plan will amount to approximately 55% additional cost than the finalized original tender cost. However, for the construction of fourth, fifth and sixth floors, a separate tender will be published & finalized.

Approved as proposed.

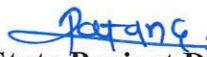
The meeting then ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the members.

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State Project Director
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(Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS)
Chairman, EC & Secretary (Pri. & Sec. Edu.)
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1. All the Members of Executive Committee
2. All Officers of this office.

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Annexure: A**The list of Participants who attended the 69th Meeting of E.C. on 13th September, 2021**

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. A.J.Shah, IAS	Chairman, Gujarat Secondary & Higher Secondary Education Board, Gandhinagar
4.	Ms. Shalini Duhan, IAS	Commissioner, Commissioner of Schools
5.	Sh. S.A.Patel	Commissioner, MDM, Gandhinagar
6.	Ms. A.T.Sangada	Representative of Sec. F.D. (Exp.) Financial Advisor, Edu. Dept.
7.	Dr. M.I.Joshi	Director, Primary Education, Gandhinagar
8.	Sh. T.S.Joshi	Director, GCERT, Gandhinagar
9.	Sh. H.N.Chavada	Director, Text Book Board, Gandhinagar
10.	Sh. P.A.Jalu	Director, GIET, Ahmedabad
11.	Sh. Y.S.Chaudhari	Jt. Director, Commissioner of Schools
12.	Sh. Sanjay Parmar	DPEO/DPC, Banaskantha
13.	Sh. V.M.Patel	DPEO/DPC, Panchmahal
14.	Sh. Digvijaysinh Jadeja	President, Gujarat State Primary Teachers Association
15.	Sh. Divyeshkumar C. Patel	President, Dang District Primary Teachers Association

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Officers who attended the meeting from Samagra Shiksha

No.	Name	Designation
1.	Ms. Jayshreeben Dewangan, GAS	Addl. State Project Director, Samagra Shiksha
2.	Sh. P.K.Trivedi	Secretary, SPO, Samagra Shiksha
3.	Sh. V.K.Solanki	Finance and Accounts Officer, Samagra Shiksha
4.	Sh. J.M.Kharadi	Dy. Director, RMSA, Samagra Shiksha
5.	Sh. Kalpesh Maheta	Asstt. Director (IT), MIS, Samagra Shiksha
6.	Sh. D.R.Shah	State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha
7.	Sh. H.R.Tanna	Addl. State Project Engineer, Samagra Shiksha
8.	Sh. Mitesh Barot	Account Officer, Samagra Shiksha
9.	Sh. Vishal Soni	DBA & SA, MIS, Samagra Shiksha
10.	Sh. Asif Savant	OIC-MIS, Samagra Shiksha
11.	Sh. Hitendra Joshi	OIC- A.S., Samagra Shiksha
12.	Ms. Darshna Suthar	OIC-Girls Education, Samagra Shiksha