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Minutes of the 239th meeting of the Project Approval Board (PAB) held on 28th April, 2016 to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) 2016-17 of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for the State of Punjab.

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1. INTRODUCTION

- (i) The 239th meeting of the Project Approval Board for considering the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2016-17 for SSA for the State of Punjab was held on 28th April, 2016 under the Chairpersonship of Dr. S.C. Khuntia, Secretary (SE&L).
- (ii) The List of participants in the meeting is at **Annexure-I**.
- (iii) Secretary (SE&L) welcomed the participants and invited the State representatives led by Dr. G. Vazralingam, IAS, Principal Secretary (School Education) to make a brief presentation on implementation status of the SSA in Punjab.
- (iv) Sh. Pradeep Kumar Aggarwal, State Project Director, Punjab made a presentation in which he highlighted the project 'PARVESH' for improvement of learning activities in children from class I to Class-V. He explained that it is an activity based learning program. He also highlighted other activities like Reading Corner, Maths Corner, Bal Sabha, Question of the Week which is a mathematical quiz, E-Library, inspection teams who undertake routine and surprise inspection to schools, students forum where students are free to ask question from the experts on mathematics, linking of students performance with the appraisal of teachers, smart schools classrooms, *Mukhya Mantri Gyan Yatra*, construction of schools on PPP model where land is provided free of cost by the State, defence activity for the girls. He further informed PAB that State is providing Braille and Large Print Books free of cost in convergence with Govt. Braille Bhawan, Ludhiana. He further informed PAB that state CWSN children won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in World Special Olympics Summer Games held in USA in August 2015. Secretary (SE&L) appreciated these efforts of the State.

2. PROGRESS in 2015-16: COMMITMENTS AND ACTION TAKEN

The PAB reviewed the progress made in implementing the commitments given by the State in 2015-16. The status in respect of some of the major commitments and the comments of the PAB thereon are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Commitments	Action taken	Remarks
1.	State will take further action on the unfulfilled commitments of the previous year as per remarks recorded in para 4 above	All the commitments have been fulfilled.	Noted.
2.	State will ensure completion of civil works sanctioned under SSA by December, 2015.	Due to lack of funds, grants have been released in December 2015 for 1 new primary school, 1828 ACRs spill over of 2014-15 and 6 ACRs in	Not complied.

Sl. No.	Commitments	Action taken	Remarks
		lieu of upgradation of Primary schools and 231 of 2015-16. Construction work will be completed by May 2016.	
3	State will ensure completion of construction of toilets in schools sanctioned under SSA/Swachh Vidyalaya Programme by June, 2015.	Completed.	Complied.
4	State will put in place a Grievance Redressal Mechanism in accordance with the Advisory No. F. No. 1-18/2010 –EE-4 issued by the MHRD under section 31 and 32 of the RTE Act.	State has its redressal grievance cell.	Noted.
5	State will take prompt action for admission of children belonging to disadvantaged group and weaker section in private unaided school under Section 12 (1) (c) of the RTE Act 2009.	State is not asking for any reimbursement under Section 12(1)(c) of RTE Act 2009.	Noted.
6	State will continue to hold regular meetings of the Executive Committee as well as District Level Monitoring Committee for SSA.	State is conducting regular meetings of EC as well as District level monitoring Committee of SSA.	Noted.
7	State will conduct SLAS for classes III, V and VIII in academic year 2015-16 for which report will be submitted by April, 2016.	State has conducted the SLAS for Class III, V and VIII in the month of December, 2015. The report of SLAS will be submitted by May, 2016.	Noted.
8	State will go through in detail the NCERT, NAS findings for the State for classes III and VIII and take corrective action as well as disseminate these findings amongst all elementary school teachers so that they improve their performance.	The academic authority of State i.e., SCERT is taking corrective action and sharing the NAS findings with stake holders.	Action is being taken.
9	The State will provide and maintain a budget head for the SSA Central share in the State budget.	State is maintaining the budget head for SSA Central share in the State Budget.	Noted.
10.	The State will provide its share for the approved plan Centre-State sharing pattern and first installment of the State share would be released to the State Implementation Society within one month of release of central share.	State has released its share in the stipulated time.	Noted.
11.	The State will fill all its vacancies of teachers and head teachers.	Under SSA, 6863 Post of Upper Primary Teachers (1851 Science & Math, 2273 SST and 2739 language) and 3798 post of Primary teachers are sanctioned. All these sanctioned posts have been filled and all are in position. As concern with vacant post of	Action is being taken.

Sl. No.	Commitments	Action taken	Remarks
		Primary and Master Cadre posts, the advertisement of 4500 primary teachers and 7000 Master cadre posts were published and the process of recruitment is going on and would be finalized shortly.	
12	The State will rationalize teacher deployment in primary and upper primary schools, so that there is no single teacher school and schools have a PTR as per norms laid down by the RTE Act 2009.	Teacher's deployment and rationalization is done regularly keeping in mind enrollment and single teacher schools. Efforts are being taken to maintain PTR, prescribed in RTE Act across all elementary schools.	Single teacher schools and schools with adverse PTR still exist.

PAB also reviewed the progress against the targets set by the State in the Results Framework 2016-17. The Results Framework is attached at **Annexure-II**.

3. APPRAISAL ISSUES- 2016-17

- (a) While appreciating the efforts of the State, PAB noted the following;
- (i) During the discussion on the Punjab's programme for Quality assessment "Pravesh", Secretary (SE&L) observed that NCERT should assess the programme to suggest further improvement.
 - (ii) AS (SE) sought clarification from the State while referring to an article in Times of India about the reported mass closure of unrecognized private schools in Punjab in pursuance to the stipulation of the RTE Act. Secretary, Education clarified that only those schools which were running in extremely disadvantaged condition for students and were unsafe for children have been asked to close. Secretary (SE&L) emphasized that the State should follow the due process, give adequate notice to the schools concerned and not close them arbitrarily.
 - (iii) State informed that it has conceptualized a 24 hrs. Education Channel. Secretary (SE&L) advised the State to limit the transmission time during day hours.
 - (iv) Secretary (SE&L) observed that total number of Out of School Children (OoSc) which is 10,994 should be drastically reduced this year.
 - (v) Secretary (SE&L) observed that although the Dropout rate is 1.5% for the State overall, it is more than 4% in 5 districts of Gurdaspur, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Nawanshahr, and Patiala. Hence the State should focus more on these districts to reduce the Dropout.
 - (vi) The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) is less than 100% in 16 districts at upper primary level. Secretary observed that this means there high dropout from primary to upper primary which is worrying.
 - (vii) The GPI is only 0.78 in class VIII, which indicates that the girls are dropping out at upper primary level. Secretary (SE&L) observed that this was very low and the State should make concerted efforts to improve this.

- (viii) PAB observed that only 46% subject teachers at primary level are in place. This was considered a serious issue in subject teaching at upper primary level and rationalization was reiterated.
- (ix) Secretary (SE&L) observed that state should have a dedicated cadre of Headmasters. This would help in capacity building for school leadership.
- (x) State requested PAB to enhance the unit cost for School Grant, Maintenance Grant, Teacher Grants etc. State was informed that enhancement in unit cost would be considered at the time of revision of SSA Framework, till then existing norms shall remain applicable.
- (xi) PAB noted that 64% children under class VIII in Math have range of correct answers from 0 to 35% whereas only 4% are above 75%. Similarly in Science, 56% children under class VIII have range of correct answers from 0 to 35% and 2% above 75%. PAB noted that there is ample scope for improvement.

(b) The specific issues highlighted during the appraisal of the State AWP&B are given below:

(i) Educational Indicators

- The decline in enrolment between the grades is 95,885 whereas the OoSc reported is only 10,994.
- Despite a comfortable PTR at the State level (17), there are as many as 25% primary and 18% upper primary schools with adverse PTR.
- There are 11% and 3.2% single teacher schools at Primary level and Upper Primary level respectively.

(ii) Access & Special Training for Out of School Children

- State has completed GIS mapping and NIC has reported that geo coordinates of 95% schools were correct. GEO Coordinates of 807 schools is incorrect and data of 660 schools is awaited from the State.
- There are 1119 and 2225 unrecognised primary and upper primary schools respectively in the State. Given this large number of unrecognised schools, issuing of certificates of completion of elementary education and further continuation of education of children enrolled in these institutes remains a challenge.
- State has merged/closed 158 Govt. primary schools and 2 upper primary schools on account of low enrolment. State is suggested to have a transparent norms for closing/merging of schools and to ensure that it does not affect access to neighbourhood school as defined in its RTE Rules.
- 5 Hostels have been sanctioned to the State for Urban Deprived Children. State is requested to share the impact of these facilities on universal access and enrolment and status of children who were provided residential support in the previous years.

(iii) Quality

- All teachers in the State are trained.

- CCE coverage is in 100% schools. State conducts 04 Formative Assessments and 02 Summative Assessments in CCE.
 - There is no cadre post for Headmasters at Elementary level.
- (iv) **KGBV**
- 602 seats are lying vacant. Secretary (SE&L) advised the State to conduct a drive to achieve the targeted enrolment.
- (v) **Maintenance of Toilets**
- Toilets in schools are being maintained by SMC by engaging sweepers on part time and daily wage basis. Wages of sweepers are being met from Maintenance Grant & School Grant.

4. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

In the PAB meeting the following specific outcomes have been agreed to:

- (i) It is expected that over the next three years there will be no out-of-school children. For the year 2016-17, State has identified **9087 Out of School Children (OoS)** and it has committed that at least 1440 children out of these will be enrolled in schools during 2016-17.
- (ii) **Dropout rate** will be reduced from 2.7% (in 2015-16) to 1.0% (in 2016-17) in respect of Primary schools and from 2.71% (in 2015-16) to 1.7% (in 2016-17) in Upper Primary schools.
- (iii) Implementation of Child wise database (using Aadhar wherever available or any other unique ID for every child) within 2016-17. Software may be prepared to monitor their progress and to track dropouts and out of school children.
- (iv) State will implement **Shaala Siddhi (Basic)** for which guidelines will be provided by NUEPA.
- (v) For standards I to VIII, the target for 2016-17 to be achieved in the State Achievement Survey (SAS) and National Achievement Survey (NAS) is that all children will score 40% or above in all subjects.

5. COMMITMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2016-17

In the PAB meeting the following commitments have been made by the State.

Part a - Standard Commitments

- (i) The State will rationalize teacher deployment in primary and upper primary schools, so that there is no single teacher school and schools have PTR as per norms under the RTE Act, 2009.
- (ii) State will eliminate schools with zero enrolment and redeploy these teachers. State will rationalize /consolidate schools within the provisions of the RTE Act.

- (iii) All the BRCs and CRCs will be sensitized towards the expected outcomes and commitments given here.
- (iv) State will update the information on SSA web portal of the MHRD and on SSA MIS portal.
- (v) State will create an online inventory of school assets and link it with GIS mapping of schools.

Part b: Commitments specific to the State:

- (i) State will set up an MIS for teacher transfer and redeployment.
- (ii) The State should focus on the 5 districts of Gurdaspur, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Nawanshahr, and Patiala to reduce the Dropout rate.
- (iii) State will create a separate cadre of head masters at upper primary level.
- (iv) State will undertake Capacity Building of school heads and educational administrators as has been approved for this year.

6. SUGGESTIONS by MHRD

MHRD recommends that the following suggestions may be implemented for further improvement of the SSA.

- (i) State is encouraged to explore funding for activities through convergence from other Ministries like Ministry of Rural Development; Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation; Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; Ministry of Tribal Affairs; Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment; Ministry of Minority Affairs; Ministry of Urban Development; Ministry of Science and Technology; Ministry of Culture and others.
- (ii) State may create a separate cadre of Headmasters.
- (iii) State will bring schools run by different departments and local bodies under a unified command like in Chhattisgarh.
- (iv) State will develop a policy for teacher transfer as implemented in Karnataka.

7. PAB APPROVALS (2016-17)

The District and State plan submitted by the State for 2016-17 and the appraisal note circulated by the TSG were discussed in detail.

APPROVALS UNDER CATEGORY 1

- 1. Reimbursement of Fee against 25% admission under Section 12(1)(c) of the RTE Act, 2009**
There was no proposal from the State.
- 2. Free Textbooks**
The PAB approved an outlay for free textbooks as detailed below:

(Rs in lakh)

	Category of children	Unit cost/child	No. of children	Outlay approved
Free Text book	Classes I to II	0.00150	158528	237.79
	Classes III, IV & V	0.00150	269364	404.05
	Classes VI, VII & VIII	0.00250	328841	822.10
Total			756733	1463.94

3. Uniforms

The PAB approved an outlay for uniforms as detailed below:

(Rs in lakh)

S. No.	Intervention	Unit Cost	Approved Outlay	
			Phy.	Fin.
1.	All Girls	0.00400	844895	3379.58
2.	SC Boys	0.00400	596478	2385.91
3.	ST Boys	0.00400	4	0.016
4.	BPL Boys	0.00400	147734	590.94
Total			1589111	6356.44

4. Residential School/Hostel

(Rs. in lakh)

Interventions	Unit cost	Phy.	Fin.
Recurring			
Maintenance per child per month @ Rs. 1500/-	18.0000	5	90.00
Stipend per child per month @ Rs.100/-	1.2000	5	6.00
Salaries			
1 Warden @ Rs. 25,000/- per month	3.0000	5	15.00
3 part time teachers @ Rs. 5,000/- per month per teacher	1.8000	5	9.00
1 Full time Accountant @ Rs. 10,000/- per month	1.2000	5	6.00
2 Support Staff – (Accountant/ Assistant, Peon, Chowkidar) @ Rs.	1.2000	5	6.00
1 Head cook @ Rs. 6,000/- per month and upto 2 Asstt. Cooks @ Rs.	1.8000	5	9.00
Electricity / water charges per child @Rs.1000/- per annum	1.0000	5	5.00
Medical care/contingencies @ Rs.1250/- per child per annum	1.2500	5	6.25
Maintenance @ Rs.750/- per child per annum	0.7500	5	3.75
Miscellaneous @ Rs.750/- per child per annum	0.7500	5	3.75
Capacity Building @ Rs.500/- per child per annum	0.5000	5	2.50
Sub Total (Recurring)		5	162.25

5. Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV)

No. of KGBVs sanctioned	No. of KGBV operational	No. of KGBV Buildings Constructed	No. of Girls Enrolled					Total
			SC	ST	OBC	Muslim	BPL	
22	22	22	1162	0	154	28	254	1598

PAB approved total outlay for activities of KGBVs as below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Fresh		Total	
	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.
KGBV MODEL-III (50-150 Girls)				
Non-recurring - Model-III				
Replacement of bedding (once in 3 years)	9	6.75	9	6.75
Sub Total Non-recurring (Model-III)	9	6.75	9	6.75
Recurring (Model III)				
Maintenance per girl Per month @ Rs.1500/-	22	396.00	22	396.00
Stipend per girl per month @ Rs.100/-	22	26.40	22	26.40
Supplementary TLM, Stationery and other educational material @Rs.1000/- per Girl per annum	22	22.00	22	22.00
1 Warden @ Rs. 25,000/- per month	22	66.00	22	66.00
3 part time teachers @ Rs. 5,000/- per month per teacher	22	39.60	22	39.60
1 Full time Accountant @ Rs. 10,000/- per month	22	26.40	22	26.40
2 Support Staff – (Accountant/ Assistant, Peon, Chowkidar) @ Rs. 5,000/- per month per staff	22	39.60	22	39.60
1 Head cook @ Rs. 6,000/- per month	22	26.40	22	26.40
Specific skill training per girl @ Rs.1000/- per annum	22	22.00	22	22.00
Electricity / water charges per girl @Rs.1000/- per annum	22	22.00	22	22.00
Medical care/contingencies @ Rs.1250/- per girl per annum	22	27.50	22	27.50
Maintenance @ Rs.750/- per girl per annum	22	16.50	22	16.50
Miscellaneous @ Rs.750/- per girl per annum	22	16.50	22	16.50
Preparatory camps @ Rs.300/- per girl per annum	22	6.60	22	6.60
P.T.A / school functions @ Rs.300/- per girl per annum	22	6.60	22	6.60
Capacity Building @ Rs.500/- per girl per annum	22	11.00	22	11.00
Physical/Self Defence Training @ Rs.200/- per Girl per annum	22	4.40	22	4.40
Sub Total Recurring (Model III)	374	775.50	374	775.50
TOTAL-KGBV-MODEL-I+II+III	374	782.25	383	782.25

6. Inclusive Education for Children with Special Needs (CWSN)

PAB approved an outlay under inclusive education for 77671 CWSN identified at a unit cost of Rs. 3000/- per child for indicative activities as given below:-

(Rs. in lakh)

S. No.	Interventions under IE	Unit Cost	Phy	Fin
1.	Sports tournaments & Cultural activities, celebration of special days/ WDD, Inclusive Tree Plantations, Peer awareness camps, etc.	0.40	216	86.40
2.	5-day Training to general teachers on curricular adaptations	0.010	14053	140.53
3.	7-day multi-category training of IE Resource Persons at BRC	0.014	462	6.468
4.	5-day Training of IE Resource Persons at BRC on ICT	0.010	462	4.62
5.	TLM creation @ Rs. 500/-	0.005	462	2.31
6.	Parental counseling/ at cluster level	0.05	1499	74.95
7.	Salary of existing Inclusive Education Resource Teachers (IERTs)	0.315	178	672.84
8.	Corrective surgery	0.08	1300	104.00

S. No.	Interventions under IE	Unit Cost	Phy	Fin
9.	Assessment and distribution Camps	0.73124	82	59.96
10.	Hiring of therapy services	0.50	216	108.00
11.	Assistive Devices including ICT material, resource room material, life skill training material, etc	0.05	11500	575.00
12.	Escort Allowance/	0.025	4802	120.05
13.	Travel Allowance	0.025	15000	375.00
	TOTAL			2330.13

7. School Grant

PAB approved as School Grant for the following number of primary and upper primary schools given as below:

(Rs. in lakh)

School Grant	Unit cost	Phy.	Fin.
Primary	0.0500	13379	668.95
Upper Primary	0.0700	6689	468.23
Sub Total		20068	1137.18

8. Project Management Cost

The PAB approved the Project Management cost for 22 districts and for State component plan. The details of the management cost at **State Project Office (SPO)** and **District Project Office (DPO)** are as follows:

a) Activity wise detailed breakup of Management Cost at SPO level

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Activity	Fin.
1	Salary / MR to Staff	537.48
2	UDISE & MIS	90.00
3	Consumable Office Expenses ,TA/DA, Office equipment	60.00
4	Insurance Expenses	0.40
5	Rent, Rates & Taxes	30.00
6	Repair & Maintenance of Equipment's	25.00
7	POL / Hiring of Vehicle	10.00
8	Telephone Expenses and Internet	15.00
9	Consultancy Charges Including Audit Fees	9.00
10	Media & publicity, Documentations	10.00
11	Capacity Building , Workshops and Planning	10.00
	Total	796.88

b) Activity wise detailed breakup of Management Cost at DPO level

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Activity	Fin.
1	Salary / MR to Staff	2267.65
2	UDISE & MIS	200.00

Sl. No.	Activity	Fin.
3	Consumable Office Expenses ,TA/DA, Office equipment	230.00
4	Rent, Rates & Taxes	44.00
5	Repair& Maintenance of Equipment's	44.00
6	Telephone Expenses and Internet	87.69
7	POL / Hiring of Vehicle	22.00
8	Consultancy Charges Including Audit Fees	15.00
9	Media & publicity, Documentations	22.00
10	Capacity Building , Workshops and Planning	88.00
	Total	3020.34

APPROVALS UNDER CATEGORY 2

9. **Transport Facility:** The proposal of Transportation/Escort facilities for children could not be considered by PAB as the notification defining the area/limits of neighbourhood for transportation facility does not exist in the State RTE Rules.

10. Special Training for Out of School Children (OoSc)

PAB advised the State that all children enrolled in different interventions under Special Training should be given a unique id (preferably Aadhar number wherever available). It should be ensured that all children from special training centres are mainstreamed into regular schools and children once mainstreamed are not enrolled in special training centres again. The status of out of school children reported by the State is as follows:

Age in years	New Identified OoSC in 2016-17		
	Boys	Girls	Total
06-07	1038	950	1988
08-10	3311	2831	6142
11-14	1602	1262	2864
Total	5951	5043	10994

The PAB approved an outlay for Special Training for coverage of 8075 out of school children as detailed below:

(Rs. in lakh)			
Intervention	Unit cost	Children	Fin.
Residential (Fresh)			
12 months	0.2000	200	40.00
Non-Residential (Fresh)			
9 months	0.0275	7875	216.56
Total		8075	256.56

11. Teachers' Training

PAB approved an outlay for teachers' training as detailed below: -

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Unit Cost	Outlay Approved	
		Phy.	Fin.
(A) Training of Teachers			
Refresher In-service Teachers' Training at BRC level (10 days)			
(a) Class I & II	0.0050	17142	85.71
(b) Class III to V	0.0050	25715	128.58
(c) Class VI to VIII	0.0050	33625	168.13
Follow up meetings at CRC level, for 10 months for all teachers at CRC level -10 days			
(a) Class I & II	0.0050	17142	85.71
(b) Class III to V	0.0050	25715	128.58
(c) Class VI to VIII	0.0050	33625	168.13
(B) Training of Resource Persons			
Training for Resource Persons & Master Trainers (this may include BRCCs, CRCCs, DIET faculties and any other persons designated as Resource Persons)			
(a) Class III to V	0.0050	220	1.10
(b) Class VI to VIII	0.0050	176	0.88
Total		153360	766.80

12. Academic Support & Supervision through BRCs/ URCs and CRC

The State has 146 Block/Urban Resource Centres (BRCs/URCs) and 1499 Cluster Resource Centres (CRCs). The PAB approved the following outlay for academic support through BRCs/URCs and CRCs:

a) BRC/URCs

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Unit Cost	Outlay Approved	
		Phy.	Fin.
Academic Support through Block Resource Centre/ URC			
Salary of Faculty and Staff			
(a) 6 RPs at BRC for subject specific training, in position	0.4040	864	4188.67
(b) 2 RPs for CWSN in position	0.32000	284	1090.56
(c) 1 MIS Coordinator in position		142	665.75
(d) 1 Data Entry Operator in position		142	665.75
(e) 1 Accountant-cum-support staff for every 50 schools in position		372	1744.08
Furniture Grant	1.000	2	2.00
Contingency Grant	0.5000	146	73.00
Meeting TA	0.3000	146	43.80
TLM Grant	0.1000	2	0.20
Maintenance Grant	0.1000	2	0.20
Sub Total		8474.01	

b) Cluster Resource Centres (CRC)

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Unit Cost	Outlay Approved	
		Phy.	Fin.
Academic Support through Cluster Resource Centres			
Salary of Cluster Coordinator, full time and in position	0.4040	1499	7267.15

Contingency Grant	0.1000	1499	149.90
Meeting, TA	0.1200	1499	179.88
		Total	7596.93

Note: Salary for vacant posts will be sanctioned once these are filled and persons join duty.

13. Learning Enhancement Programme (LEP)

The PAB approved the following outlay for Learning Enhancement Programmes (LEP) for specific activities for enhanced learning outcomes.

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Outlay Approved	
	Phy.	Fin.
(a) Class I & II		637.26
(b) Class III to V		208.99
(c) Class VI to VIII		884.75
Total		1731.00

14. Innovation fund for Computer Aided Learning (CAL) Programme

The PAB approved an outlay for CAL in existing CAL schools in 22 districts for enhancement of and Rs. 550.00 lakh for conducting activities under Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan (RAA).

15. Library

The PAB approved an outlay for library facilities in schools as below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Library	Unit Cost	Phy.	Fin.
Primary	0.0300	89	2.67
Upper Primary	0.1000	49	4.90
Sub Total		138	7.57

16. Teachers' Grant

The PAB approved Teacher Grants as per the following details:

(Rs. in lakh)

Nature of grant	Category	Unit cost	Approved	
			Phy	Outlay
Teacher Grant	Primary (Class I & II)	0.0050	16300	81.50
	Primary (Class III to V)	0.0050	24448	122.24
	Upper primary	0.0050	33625	168.13
	Total		74373	371.87

17. TLE for New Schools

The PAB approved an outlay for TLE

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Unit Cost	Outlay Approved	
		Phy.	Fin.
New Primary	0.2000	1	0.20
New Upper Primary	0.5000	1	0.50
	Sub Total		0.70

18. REMS

The PAB approved an outlay for REMS at the State level.

(Rs. in lakh)

1A	Research & Evaluation activities at state level	Approval	Remarks
1	Achievement Survey (Rs 18 lakh per District)	---	Approved 330.00 lakh @15lakh per district. This amount should be booked under Innovation.
2	Research Studies	---	Approved @16 lakh booked under innovation.
	Inter-State Comparison of Text Books of Math.		
	Impact of PARVESH on the Learning of Students studying in Govt. Primary Schools in Punjab.		
3	Child Tracking in Punjab	39.62	
	Sub Total	39.62	
1B Supervision & Monitoring			
1	PINDICS @ Rs 1 lac/district	22.0	
2	SHAALA SIDHI (Govt.+Aided)	187.51	
3	Web Based Monitoring Rs Lac. Per District	22.00	Approved for updation of child-wise data and Shaala Siddhi.
4	Server at State level	---	Approved @10.00 lakh booked under innovation
	Sub Total	231.51	
	Total (State)	271.13	
2	SCPCR	9.91	
	Sub Total	9.91	
	Grand Total	281.04	

19. Innovation

The funds approved under this head are for implementing Padhe Bharat Badhe Bharat, an initiative for improvement of learning outcomes in elementary classes (Std. I-V). These funds may also be used for any other innovative activities approved by MHRD, targeting children in the elementary classes like Twinning of schools, involvement of volunteers for co-scholastic activities and activities for highlighting cultural heritage and language of partner State.

(Rs.in lakh)

Intervention	Outlay Approved		
	Unit Cost	Phy.	Fin.
Innovation Head up to Rs. 50 lakh per district*			
Girls Education	12.50	22	275.00
Intervention for SC / ST children	12.50	22	275.00
Intervention for Minority Community children	12.50	22	275.00
Intervention for Urban Deprived children	12.50	22	275.00
	Total	22	1100.00

*This approval also includes other activities (which have been approved under REMS) including conducting Achievement survey (Rs. 330.00 lakh), impact of 'Parvesh' on the Learning of Students studying in Government Primary Schools in Punjab (Rs. 16.00 lakh) and Server at State level (Rs. 10.00 lakh) would also be covered under this fund.

20. Community Mobilization Activities

PAB approved an Outlay of Rs 452.52 lakh to conduct media and community participation activities, campaigns such as enrollment drives, awareness about SSA-RTE in EBB's / SFD's and decentralized grievance redressal mechanism subject to the condition that a detailed media action plan with unit cost is approved by the State Executive Committee.

21. SMC/PRI Training -

An amount under Community training was approved as detailed below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Intervention	Outlay Approved		
	Unit Cost (for 3 days)	Phy.	Fin.
Non-residential (3 days)	0.00300	118938	356.81
	Total	118938	356.81

The SMC training would include training of SMC members on components of Swachh Vidyalaya, including maintenance of toilets, behavioural change among students and Shaala Siddhi.

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22. Teachers' Salary

Details of the number of sanctioned post, recruited and vacant for primary, upper primary teachers and head teachers up-to March, 2016 are as below:

Category	Sanctioned Post			Working			Vacancies		
	By State	Under SSA	Total	By State	Under SSA	Total	By State	Under SSA	Total
PS Teachers	44806	3798	48604	37330	3798	41128	7476	0	7476
PS Head Teachers	0	633	633	0	0	0	0	633	633
PS Total	44806	4431	49237	37330	3798	41128	7476	633	8109
UPS Teachers	36617	6863	43480	25182	6863	32045	11435	0	11435
UPS Head Teachers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UPS Total	36617	6863	43480	25182	6863	32045	11435	0	11435
Grand Total (PS+UPS)	81423	11294	92717	62512	10661	73173	18911	633	19544

As the 633 Head Teachers posts at primary level have been filled up with teachers on deputation, their salary was not approved under SSA. State has surrendered 2796 UPS Head Teacher posts, sanctioned under SSA, in 2016-17.

The PAB approved an outlay for teachers' salary for **10,661 teachers in position** as below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Activity	Teachers Salary- 2016-17					
	Proposal			Outlay		
	Unit Cost	Phy.	Fin.	Unit Cost	Phy.	Fin.
Teachers' Salary (Recurring-sanctioned earlier) in position						
Primary Teachers- Existing, in position (Contractual)		3798	16678.39		3798	16678.39
Head Teachers for Primary in position	0.5800	633	4405.68			
(a) Science and Mathematics		1851	8973.65		1851	8973.65

(b) Social Studies		2273	11019.50		2273	11019.50
(c) Languages		2739	13278.67		2739	13278.67
Total		11345	54586.22		10661	49950.21

23. Civil Works

The PAB approved an outlay for Civil Works under spill over as per the details given below:

(Rs. In lakh)

S. No.	Intervention	Spill over		Fresh		Approved Outlay	
		Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.
Civil Works Construction							
1	BRC (Rural) at Annexure-III			3	66.45	3	66.45
2	New Primary School (Rural) at Annexure-IV			2	48.86	2	48.86
3	ACR in lieu of upgraded Upper Primary School at Annexure-IV			3	22.19	3	22.19
4	Additional Class Room (Rural) at Annexure-V		6828.354	670	4956.66	670	11785.01
5	Additional Class Room (Urban) at Annexure-VI		1050.516	219	1620.16	219	2670.68
6	Boys Toilet at Annexure-VII			60	70.80	60	70.80
7	Separate Girls Toilet at Annexure-VIII			21	23.73	21	23.73
8	Furniture for Govt. UPS (per child) at Annexure-IX			148343	741.72	148343	741.72
9	Major Repairs for Primary School at Annexure-X			121	223.98	121	223.98
10	Major Repairs for Upper Primary School at Annexure-XI			54	112.64	54	112.64
11	Others (Difference of Civil Works sanctioned in previous year, SIEMAT, spillover etc.)			1	300.00	1	300.00
Total			7878.87	149497	8187.18	149497	16066.05

24. Maintenance Grant (Rs. 1362.70 lakh)

(Rs. In lakh)

Nature of Grant	Category	Phy.	Outlay
Maintenance Grant	PS and UPS	19137	1362.70

25. School and Social Mapping: State has completed GIS mapping and NIC has reported that geo coordinates of 95% schools were correct. GEO Coordinates of 807 schools is incorrect and data of 660 schools is awaited from the State. PAB directed the State to give these coordinates within one month and advised the State to use the GIS mapping for its assessment of schooling facilities.

26. Opening of New Primary Schools: PAB sanctioned 2 new Primary schools in Bathinda (Teacher Colony) and Nawanshahr (Prem Nagar) where there is a large population of children but are still unserved. PAB clarified that the sanction of new schools does not include new teacher position as adequate number of teachers are already available.

27. **Opening of Upper Primary Schools:** PAB sanctioned 1 new Upper Primary schools in Ropar (Ward No. 3 Sadawart). PAB clarified that the sanction of new school does not include new teacher positions as adequate number of teachers are already available.
28. **SIEMAT (one time grant)** – PAB approved a one-time grant of Rs. 300.00 lakh for SIEMAT and advised the State that it should be developed as a leadership academy.
29. **NPEGEL (Activity closed)**
30. **Special Focus Districts**
PAB discussed the targeted interventions for the 12 Special Focus Districts (SFDs) in the State. The outlay for these SFDs is Rs. 56329.80 lakh, which works out to 53.18% of the State's total outlay of Rs.105924.19 lakh at **Annexure-XII**.

PAB Approvals

The PAB approved the AWP&B for 2016-17 of Rs. 105924.19 lakh as below:

(Rs. in lakh)

S. No.	Head	Approved Outlay		
		Spill Over	Fresh	Total
1	SSA	7878.87	97263.07	105141.94
2	KGBV	0.00	782.25	782.25
	Total	7878.87	98045.32	105924.19

The category wise breakup of the PAB approved outlay is as follows

Financial Overview: - Category wise

Category	Amount Approved (in lakh)
I	16049.41
II	22495.81
III	67378.97
Total	105924.19

The consolidated item-wise outlays for 2016-17 approved are at **Annexure-XIII**. The district-wise outlays for 2016-17 approved are at **Annexure-XIV**. **The share of Central funding shall be as per the fund sharing pattern (60:40 between Central and State Governments) applicable for SSA in 2016-17.**

(Rs. in lakh)

Outlay approved	Capital Head (all civil works under SSA & KGBV)	General Head	GOI Share (60%)		
			Capital Head	General Head	Total
105924.19	16066.05	89858.14	9639.63	53914.88	63554.51

The meeting ended with a word of thanks to all present.

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