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Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education and Literacy
IS-15 Section

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 19th November, 2025

Subject: Samagra Shiksha – Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) for the year 2025-26 for the State of Punjab- Supplementary Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting held on 06.11.2025- Revision of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Project Approval Board (PAB) held on 6th March, 2025 -reg.

A. Background

1. The meeting of the Project Approval Board for considering the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2025-26 for SAMAGRA SHIKSHA for the State of Punjab was held on 6th March, 2025. Further, a supplementary Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting was held on 28.05.2025 for the establishment of ICT Labs. Smart Classrooms, and Science Laboratories in Government secondary schools under the Samagra Shiksha scheme. The approved estimates of the AWP&B for 2025-26 were as under:

(₹ in lakh)

Head	Spill over	Non-Recurring (Fresh)	Recurring (Fresh) *	Total Fresh (3+4)	Grand Total (Including Spill-Over) (2+5)
1	2	3	4	5	6
Elementary	7794.87	7399.31	77553.66	84952.97	92747.84
Secondary	12234.42	18423.3	28948.97	47372.28	59606.7
Teacher Education	1530.94	29.85	2716.84	2746.69	4277.63
Total	21560.23	25852.46	109219.47	135071.94	156632.17

*Includes Programme Management (MMMER)

2. An amount of ₹ 3714.19 Lakhs for 3 DIETs as Centre of Excellence was also approved to Punjab in the meeting of the Project Approval Board held on 11th April and 6th May 2025 to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) 2025-26 of DIETs under Second Phase of DIETs of Excellence scheme under Samagra Shiksha. (OM No. 22-2/2025-IS.20 dated 25.06.2025)

(₹ in lakh)

Head	Spill over	Non-Recurring (Fresh)	Recurring (Fresh)	Total Fresh (3+4)	Grand Total (Including Spill-Over) (2+5)
1	2	3	4	5	6
Teacher Education	1530.94	3744.04	2716.84	6460.88	7991.82

3. As a result, the revised estimates of the AWP&B for 2025-26 as under:

(₹ in lakh)

Head	Spill over	Non-Recurring (Fresh)	Recurring (Fresh) *	Total Fresh (3+4)	Grand Total (Including Spill-Over) (2+5)
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Teacher Education	1530.94	3744.04	2716.84	6460.88	7991.82
Total	21560.23	29566.66	109219.47	138786.13	160346.36

*Includes Programme Management (MMMER)

B. Appraisal of Current proposal for ICT labs & Smart Classrooms in Govt. Secondary Schools

The meeting of the **Supplementary Project Approval Board** with regard to ICT labs and Smart Classrooms of Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2025-26 for Samagra Shiksha for the State of Punjab was held on 6th November, 2025 at New Delhi. The list of participants who attended the meeting is at **Annexure-I**.

Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary (SE&L), welcomed the participants. A presentation on the implementation of the Status of Samagra Shiksha in Punjab was made. The following are the major action points from the discussions and deliberations during the presentation:

1. School Enrolment Indicator – GER, NER, Dropout & Transition rate

The State deserves to be appreciated for its good achievement in Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) at all levels. While the Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) needs to be improved at all levels specially at secondary level.

The State is requested to analyse school wise enrolment data as 70.53% Govt schools have only 45.17% students and to ensure appropriate steps are taken to improve dropout rate and transition rate.

2. Infrastructure in Government Schools

There are 18784 works sanctioned during 2018-19 to 2024-25 of which 13433 are completed and 5351 are pending. Out of the 4167-work sanctioned in 2025-26, 4162 are pending. The State is requested to expeditiously complete these works in 2025-26.

The State was requested to update the progress of activities under the *infrastructure* component on PRABANDH portal.

3. Financial Status:

a. Release of Funds:

Two instalments have been released to State and Secretary (SE&L) urged the State to ensure that all four instalments to be drawn during the financial year 2025-26.

b. Expenditure against Approvals

As per the Monthly progress report, The State has incurred expenditure primarily under the following components:

- RTE Entitlements
- Financial Support to Teachers
- Inclusive Education
- Programme Management

The State was advised to enhance focus on the following components too:

- Teacher Education
- Gender & Equity
- Access & Retention
- Quality Interventions
- Skill Education

4. Recruitment of Teachers:

The State informed that recruitment of 8000+ Pre-Primary Teachers in Government schools has been initiated which shall help to improve dropout and retention rates in foundational & primary grades. Pursuant to the deliberations of the meeting, an amount of **₹ 10569.60 Lakhs** was approved for the State of Punjab for the establishment of ICT Labs and Smart Classroom in Government secondary schools under the Samagra Shiksha scheme as detailed below:

(₹ in lakh)

(Rs in lakhs)

			Proposed			Approved		
S. no.	Activity	Enrolment Range	No. of Schools	Unit Cost	Total Amount	No. of Schools	Unit Cost	Total Amount
1	Digital Hardware & Software Secondary & Senior Secondary	Two labs >700	49	12.8	627.20	23	12.8	294.40
		Additional (second) Lab >700	202	6.4	1292.8	137	6.4	876.80
		250-700	875	6.4	5600	681	6.4	4358.40
		100-250	1018	4.5	4581	978	4.5	4401
		<100	251	2.5	627.5	246	2.5	615
Total for ICT labs (A)			2395		12728.50	2065*		10545.60
2	Smart Classrooms Secondary & Senior Secondary		12	2.4	28.8	10	2.4	24
Total for Smart Classrooms (B)			12		28.8	10**		24
Total for ICT labs and Smart Classrooms (A+B)					12757.30			10569.60

*Excluding schools recommended under PMSHRI, Schools with low enrolment (less than 40) & Schools already approved.

** Excluding schools with low enrolment (less than 40).

Section II (Financial Section)

1. Total Estimated Budget (2025-26) [Now]

Approved estimates of the AWP&B for 2025-26 under Elementary, Secondary and Teacher Education are as under:

(₹ in lakh)					
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Teacher Education	1530.94	3744.04	2716.84	6460.88	7991.82
Total	21560.23	40136.25	109219.47	149355.72	170915.95

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2. Actual release by GoI during 2025-26 [Now]

In partial modification of the minutes issued on 02.05.2025, incorporating previous supplementary PAB approvals, the financial section be read as follows:

The total annual work plan is approved for ₹ 170915.95 Lakhs including spillover of ₹ 21560.23 Lakh. The opening balance available as on 01.04.2025 as informed by the state is ₹ 27396.00 Lakhs.

The breakup of the funds for this approved budget is as follows:

- The Central Share to be released in 2025-26 is ₹ 86111.97 Lakhs
- The State Share to be released in 2025-26 is ₹ 57407.98 Lakhs

3. The other items of the PAB minutes remain unchanged.

4. This is issued with the approval of Competent Authority.

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2. Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment.
3. Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
4. Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
5. Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti.
6. Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs.

7. Dy. Adviser (School Education), Niti Aayog.
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10. Chairperson, NCTE
11. Member Secretary, NCPCR
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20. SPD, Punjab
21. Director (School Education), Samagra Shiksha, Punjab.
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