

Minutes of the meeting held on 18/03/2014 for implementation of GoI sponsored scheme for “Skill Development in ESDM Sector” in Punjab.

A meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Sh A.R. Talwar, IAS Principal Secretary Information Technology, Punjab on 18/03/2014 at 11:30 AM in his office room. The list of officers who participated in the meeting is placed at Annexure-A. The agenda note for meeting for implementation of Government of India Scheme for Skill Development in ESDM Sector in Punjab was discussed in detail and following decisions were taken:

1. It was decided to constitute an Implementation Committee of following officers for successful implementation of the scheme in Punjab:
 - a. Senior Vice Chairman, Society for Promotion of IT Industry in Punjab-Chairman
 - b. Secretary, Information Technology Punjab – Vice Chairman
 - c. Secretary, Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab
 - d. Secretary, School Education, Punjab
 - e. Director(IT), Punjab-cum-Member Secretary, Society for Promotion of IT Industry in Punjab
 - f. Director, C-DAC, SAS Nagar (Mohali)
 - g. Director, NIELIT Chandigarh Centre
 - h. 2 Representatives from IT/Electronics Industry
 - i. Senior System Manager(P), DOIT Punjab –(Member Secretary)

Till the time a Sr. Vice Chairman of the Society for Promotion of I.T. Industry in Punjab is in position, Administrative Secretary of the Department of Information Technology will act as Chairman of this committee. Director, Industries & Commerce, Punjab or his nominee will be a special invitee to this committee meetings.

2. It was observed that as per requirement of Govt. of India, the implementing agency will sign an MoU with DeitY, Govt. of India. In this regard, the department has already requested the DeitY, Govt. of India to forward a copy of draft MoU for consideration. It was decided to wait till copy of draft MoU is provided by DeitY, Govt. of India.
3. So far as signing of MoU with training partners i.e. C-DAC and NIELIT is concerned, the representatives of these organizations were requested to provide within a period of one week the cost-break up of the fee payable to them into

various components like charges for usage of government resources, honorarium to be paid to the government teachers and other expenses etc. They will also provide draft MOU containing these along with other terms and conditions like course contents, duration, batch size etc for approval of the department.

4. It was decided that Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab will immediately issue necessary instructions to all ITIs/Polytechnic Colleges/Engineering Colleges where Electronics courses are run for providing required support to the training partners to start the training courses under the scheme and also for mobilization of students for level L1, L2, L3, L4 and L5 courses in their institutes. In case of L1 & L2 courses, the Department of School Education will also issue the instructions to the selected schools throughout the state where these courses can be started immediately.
5. To make the scheme more lucrative for the students, it was decided that Director, Technical Education would examine if it is possible to subsidize 25% component of course fee payable by General Category students from any of the other schemes of Govt. of India/ State Govt. like SDI (Skill Development Initiatives). A report in this regard would be submitted in a period of one week.
6. It was decided that a meeting with concerned Industry associations in the field of Electronics will be held for their suggestions regarding job oriented courses to make the scheme more beneficial in terms of opportunities to students.
7. It was decided that Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training Punjab will make a survey to identify the tentative number of students interested to join the course in each of the institutes. If the number of students in particular college/institute is not sufficient, then the students from neighboring institutes will have to be clubbed together to make the relevant batch size.
8. It was decided that before signing the agreements following clarifications from Government of India would be sought:
 - a. The GoI approval has indicated that an Expert Committee will be set up by GOI that will recommend a basket of courses that could be covered under the scheme and the implementing agency can choose the courses from the basket of courses. It was decided that GOI will be requested to inform if the courses already proposed by Punjab Govt in the proposal can be taken up right away or the same will have to be got approved by the expert committee under GoI.

- b. Likewise, minimum qualification in case of level L4 (Supervisor level), scheme proposes entry qualification as 10th+ ITI or 12th pass or other graduates (non-science). It was decided to get clarifications from GoI whether students with 8th + ITI qualification will also be eligible for L4 level? Similarly class 12th pass and non-science graduates (like BA etc) who are totally non-technical; will they be the proper choice for imparting technical trainings to them.
- c. Clarifications from GoI will also be sought as to whether it is possible to allow the State to modify the targets of students for different levels depending upon the actual requirements in the State and also for distributing sufficient number of students among two training partners i.e. C-DAC and NIELIT.
- d. The Govt. of India will also be requested to hold a workshop at Chandigarh to clear out the related issues and to disseminate the Scheme among stakeholders.
- e. The GoI will be asked whether the service tax is payable on the fee being paid by the students or reimbursed by the GoI to the training providers.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Annexure-A

The meeting was attended by the following officers:-

1. Sh. B. Purushartha IAS, – Director Technical Education & Industrial Training Punjab
2. Smt. Daljit Kaur – Additional Director, Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training , Punjab
3. Shri Mohanbir Singh Sidhu, – Additional Director, Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab
4. Shri Narinderpal Singh, – Director Academic, Punjab State Board of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab
5. Sh. D.K. Jain – Director C-DAC SAS Nagar (Mohali)
6. Smt. Preeti Abrol – Principal Engr., C-DAC SAS Nagar (Mohali)
7. Sh. Ajay Moudgil – Sr. Engr., C-DAC SAS Nagar (Mohali)
8. Dr. AKD Dwivedi – Director, NIELIT, Chandigarh
9. Sh. Ram Shabad – Sr. Technical Officer, NIELIT Headquarter, New Delhi
10. Sh. Deepak Waxan – PSA, NIELIT, Chandigarh
11. Smt. Sunita Goyal – Additional Director, NIELIT, Chandigarh
12. Smt. Lalita Mahajan, – Dy Secretary, Department of School Education Punjab
13. Sh. Amarjit Singh, – Dy Director, DTE&It Punjab
14. R.S. Sidhu, – Dy Director, Deptt of Employment Generation & Training Punjab
15. Dr. Ravi Kumar, –Principal - Beant College of Engg. & Tech. Gurdaspur
16. Sh. Sandeep Bajaj, –Registrar, BHSBIET Lehragaga
17. Sh. J.S. Tiwana Assoiate Prof. – GZS PTU Campus Bathinda
18. Smt. Sonia, – Associate Professor, MIMIT Malout
19. Sh. Gurjeevan Singh, DIC – ECE , SBSSTC Ferozpur
20. Sh. Kamal Khanna , – Lecturer ME, SBSSTC Ferozpur
21. Sh Prabhjeet Singh, SSM(P), Deptt of Information Technology, Punjab
22. Sh Gurnam Singh, AM, Deptt of Information Technology, Punja