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ABSTRACT

School Education – Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) under State Innovation Fund for the year 2016-17 – Early Intervention Centres for Children with Special Needs (CWSN) –Sanction of Rs.578.85 lakh – Orders – Issued.

School Education (SSA2) Department

G.O (1D) No 414

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Read:-

1. From the Member Secretary, State Planning Commission Letter No.4476/SPC(PC)/2015-2, dated 5.2.2016.
2. From the State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Letter No.1960-2/IE & Edusat-Proposals/B5/SSA/2016, dated 2.5.2016.

ORDER:-

The Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) established in the State Planning Commission is to foster innovation through a variety of promotional activities and funding support to innovative ideas, schemes and programmes in Government agencies.

2. The State Planning Commission after detailed discussion has recommended the proposal of the Early Intervention Centres for Children with Special Needs (CWSN) as follows:-

Every child with Special Needs is provided meaningful and quality education and therefore Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has adopted as zero exclusion policy. No child having special needs should be deprived of the right to education and taught in an environment, which is best, suited to his / her learning needs. The ultimate aim is to mainstream all Children with Special Needs (CWSN) in neighbourhood schools. Already, school readiness programme is functioning in 378 schools and now the proposal is for replicating it in another 85 identified schools at a total project cost of Rs.578.85 lakhs.

3. The State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has stated that one of the key challenge areas in Inclusive Education is providing adequate and appropriate resource support to Children with Special Needs. Early intervention is a system of coordinated services that promotes the child's growth and development and supports families during the critical early years. Early intervention services include Assistive technology devices/services, Audiology (hearing) services, Family training and counseling, Health services, Medical services for diagnostic or evaluation purposes, Nursing services, Nutrition services, Occupational therapy, Physiotherapy, Psychotherapy, Vision services and Other services.

4. She has further stated that babies and toddlers may receive services at home or in the community to help with development in Physical skills (reaching, crawling, walking, drawing, building), Cognitive skills (thinking, learning, solving problems), Communication skills (talking, listening, understanding others), Self-help or adaptive skills (eating, dressing), Social or emotional skills (playing, interacting with others) and Sensory processing skills.

5. She has also stated that Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, ensures that every child with special needs is provided meaningful and quality education. Hence, a zero exclusion policy has been adopted. This means that no child having special needs should be deprived of the right to education and taught in an environment, which is best, suited to his / her learning needs. These include School Readiness programme for Children with Special Needs (CWSN) and Home Based Education for the severely disabled Children with Special Needs (CWSN). The ultimate aim is to mainstream all Children with Special Needs (CWSN) in neighbourhood schools. 98 Resource Centres at Cluster level and 413 Resource Centres at Block level have been set up, employing 2046 special educators, 157 therapists and 11 occupational therapists. The services offered come under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and include guidance for sensory, cognitive, emotional and social development including learning practices that help achieve educational goals in future. At present 85 Centres can be updated as an EI Centre. In each centre 5 special teachers, 1 care giver and 1 therapist and 1 helper are working to provide intervention for Children with Special Needs (CWSN). The same manpower can be utilized to implement this early intervention programme. Procurement of Materials required for implementation. The activities like early intervention programme implementation for all category of Children with Special Needs (CWSN). (At least for the categories which can be included in regular school like MR, VI, HI and Autism also), Training at State Level for personnel in the Programme developed at State Resource Centre (SRC) and its implementation, Training at District level in the process of implementation, Train them in the documentation of data for evaluation and progress, Develop system for effective feedback and controls, coverage of 0 to 5 years age group of Children with Special Needs (CWSN), Early Assessment, Providing Therapeutic Treatment, Usage of TLM, Usage of ICT Tools. Evaluation at Regular Intervals and Parental Training and Counseling can be carried out under this programme. The State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has now requested administrative orders for a sum of Rs.578.85 lakh for the above project.

6. The Government accept the proposal of State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and accord sanction for a sum of Rs.578.85 lakh (Rupees five crore seventy eight lakh and eighty five thousand only) for the Early Intervention Centres for Children with Special Needs (CWSN) in 85 identified schools under the Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) under State Innovation fund for the year 2016-17 as approved by the State Planning Commission.

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

"4202 Capital Outlay on Education, Sports, Art and Culture - 01 General Education - 201 Elementary Education - Schemes in the twelfth five year plan - II State Plan - JI Early intervention centres for Children with Special Needs (CWSN) - Scheme under State innovation Fund - 16 Major Works. (DPC 4202-01-201-JI-1603)

8. The above expenditure shall be met from the State Innovation Fund by deducting under the following head of account:-

4202- Capital outlay on Education, Art and Culture - 01 General Education - 902 Deduct-Amount met from State Innovation Fund -JB Deduct - Amount met from State Innovation Fund - 30 Inter Accounts Transfers. (DPC 4202-01-902-JB-3001)

and contra debiting J Reserve Fund (b) Reserve Funds not bearing Interest - 8229 00 Development and Welfare Funds - 200 Other Development and Welfare Funds - BE State Innovation Fund (DPC 8229-00-200-BE 0006) (outgo)

9. The Director of Elementary Education is authorized to draw and disburse the above sanctioned amount to the State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

10. The Director of Elementary Education is the Estimating, Reconciling and Controlling Authority for the above new head of account "42202-01-902-JB"

11. The Pay and Accounts Officers /Treasury Officers are directed to open the above new head of account in their books.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.52292/Edn-II/2016, dated 21.10.2016.

(By Order of the Governor)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Chennai-6.
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The Accountant General, Chennai-18.
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The Finance (Edn-II/BG-I/BG-II) Department, Chennai-9.

The Planning Development & Special Initiatives Department, Chennai-9.

The Member Secretary,

State Planning Commission, Chennai-5.

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//Forwarded By Order//

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