Minutes of the Third Meeting of the State Council for Development of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes on 27.12.2014

The Third Meeting of the State Council for Development of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes was held on 27.12.2014 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister. The Special Chief Secretary and convener of state council welcomed the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Ministers and all the officials for the meeting. List of the Ministers and Special Chief Secretaries, Prl. Secretaries, Secretaries and HoDs who attended the meeting is given in Annexure.

Hon'ble Chief Minister stated that people's satisfaction is the ultimate objective of the Government He requested the Ministers and Special Chief Secretaries, Prl. Secretaries, Secretaries and HODs to strive hard by underlying the focusing on the following issues.

- Need and importance of the priorities of the Government;
- Effective use of the technology to bring in transparency and improve the standard of living of the people;
- Integration of all the departments to avoid duplication of programmes/schemes being implemented for the welfare and development of people;
- Aadhar linkage with the beneficiaries of welfare programmes to avoid misuse of funds;
- Online uploading of funds being spent on welfare and development programmes and
- Ensuring last mile connectivity/unit using latest technology such as GIS, GPS and computerization of departments.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister requested all the government departments to work with coordination to achieve social empowerment and for poverty alleviation.

The Special Chief Secretary, Planning Department and convener of the State Council informed about the proposals of respective Nodal Agencies. He mentioned that the Nodal Agencies recommended the action plans after elaborate deliberations with departments concerned for approval of the State Council. The Secretary Social Welfare and the Principal Secretary Tribal Welfare, the convenors of the respective Nodal Agencies, presented the department- wise proposals under SCSP and TSP respectively for approval and which was earlier agreed to by the respective Nodal Agencies and recommended to the Council.

Agenda wise decisions are as follows:

Agenda 1:

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Ratification of the outlays approved under SCSP/ TSP of BE 2014-15 is adopting the norms viz.,

- (i) 17.10% for SCSP and 5.33% for TSP of the total B.E. of 2014-15 and
- (ii) accounting for 7% for SCs and 3% for STs of the scheme costs towards deemed expenditure for non-divisible infrastructure works under SCSP and TSP respectively.

Resolution:

The State Council has ratified/ approved the budget 2014-15 under SCSP/ TSP adopting the norms such as 17.10% for SCSP and 5.33% for TSP of the budget for the year 2014-15 and accounting for 7% for SCs and 3% for STs of the scheme costs towards deemed expenditure for non-divisible infrastructure works under SCSP and TSP respectively.

Agenda 2, 3,4 and 5

Review of the progress on the Scheduled Caste Sub-plan, works taken up, Administrative arrangements and preparation of Annual Plan 2015-16, pre budget process activities of SCSP/TSP

Resolutions:

1. The State Council has ratified the allocation of Rs. 4574.87 Crs under Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) for the year 2014-15. Out of which Rs.4280.24 Crs. is allocated to (34) Departments for developmental activities for the welfare of SCs. (7%) of allocation of non division infrastructure developments of Rs.296.47 Crs. is allocated for deemed expenditure for Non Divisible infrastructure works.

- 2. The State Council has ratified the changes made to Ambedkar Overseas
 Vidyanidi Scheme.
- 3. The State Council has **approved** the implementation of the new scheme for sponsoring (250) SC students for Prelims cum Mains Guidance, (50) SC students for Mains Guidance and for (25) SC students for Personality Test Guidance in reputed Civil Services Guidance Centers in the country. The out lay proposed under the scheme is Rs.5.07 crores.
- 4. The State Council has approved in principle subnject to the approval of the Cabinet for sanction of staff and recurring and non-recurring expenditure for the (9) nine Social Welfare Residential Schools sanctioned in 2013-14 now functioning in 2014-15 in rented accommodation and with redeployed staff for meeting of recorrence and non-recorrence expenditure of Rs.25.01 crores.
- 5. The State Council has approved the sanction of (2) new SW Residential School Complexs for Boys at Draksharamam, East Godavari district & Adavithakkallapadu village of Guntur Rural mandal, Guntur District with a total cost of Rs.18.64 crores.
- 6. The State Council has approved to change the Budget Head for the release of the Mess Charges of the Social Welfare College DAH (Departmental Attached Hostels) from Maintenance Fee under Scholarships to Diet Charges.
- 7. The State Council has deferred the proposal for Sanction of Class-IV posts in Social Welfare Colleges (Department Attached Hostels).
- 8. The State Council has approved the sanction of Knowledge & Incubation Centers in (177) Residential Schools, under APSWREIS with Video conferencing facility, digital learning etc. with an estimated cost Rs.17.70 crores.
- 9. The State Council has approved increasing the seats in Best Available Schools (Residential) from 100 to 200/300 from the academic year 2015-16 with total increase of seasts is 2100 with an outlay of Rs.6.30 crores per annum.

- 10. The State Council has approved for enhancement of fees from Rs.20,000/- to Rs.30,000/- per annum in Best Available Schools (Residential) Scheme with financial implication of increase of Rs.6.19 crores per annum to benefit 6,186 students.
 - 11. The State Council has approved the implementation of Land Purchase Scheme for the land less SC families by APSCCFC Ltd. in convergence with SERP
 - 12. The State Council has approved the strengthening of the Residential School and the Social Welfare Hostels.
 - 13. The State Council has approved the sanction of (2) two new modern Residential ITIs- under SCSP at Guntur and Tirupathi with an estimated cost of Rs.10.00 crores each.
 - 14. The State Council has approved for providing Solar fencing in all Social Welfare Girls hostels and Girls Residential School to an extent of Rs.10.00 crores by way of re-appropriation from unspent balances under SCSP.
 - 15. The State Council has approved the continuation of (58) Works in Minor Irrigation Department for provision of irrigation to the ayacut belonging to SC farmers.
 - 16. The State Council has approved for the supply of *Preferred variety of rice to the students studying in the Social Welfare Hostels & Residential Schools with an estimated cost of Rs.38.00 crores approximately.*
 - 17. The State Council has approved the sanction of New Born Baby Kits @ Rs.1500/- for each kid to SC mothers of all new born babies.
 - 18. The State Council deferred the sanction of (2) Residential Degree Colleges at Etcherla, Srikakulam District and at Gudur.
 - The State Council has approved the implementation of (6) New Schemes for SC Youth & Entrepreneurs as proposed under Industriess & Commerce Department within the BE of 2014-15.
 - 20. The State Council has approved the sanction of (618) road connectivity works with an estimated cost of Rs.262.63 crores.

21. State Council has approved for providing 50 additional man days to SC House Holds with an outlay of Rs.22.78 crores by way of reappropriation.

<u>Tribal Welfare Department(TSP)</u>

Resolution:

- The State Council has approved the expenditure of Rs.2030.79 crore incurred towards implementation of various activities under Tribal Sub Plan 2013-14.
- 2. Ratified the allocation of Rs.1500.26 cr. as the TSP budget for 2014-15 and expenditure incurred so far is Rs 775.90 Cr.
- 3. The State Council directed the Finance Department to release the budget under TSP 2014-15 to APSRTC, NEDCAP, Fisheries, Tourism and SAAP departments considering the BE provided.

(Action by: Finance

Department)

- 4. The State Council **approved** the proposals of re-appropriation for providing the required amount of Rs.33.10 crores for payment of electricity charges to ST households consuming less than 50 units per month for the years 2013-14 and 2014-15 by way of reappropriation out of unspent balances in 2014-15.
- 5. **The State Council has a**pproved the proposals of re-appropriation for providing Rs.19.51 cr. towards Pre-Matric Scholarships for ST day scholars studying class III to VIII from the unspent grants under TSP 2014-15.
- 6. The State Council has approved the modification of head of account for release of diet charges

(Action by : Finance / Tribal Welfare Departments)

- 7. The State Council has approved for modifications to "Ambedkar Overseas Vidya Nidhi" Program.
- 8. The State Coucil has approved for providing solar fencing to all Tribal Welfare Girls Hostels and Residential Schools located in Government buildings.

(Action by: Tribal Welfare & Gurukulam)

The State Council has approved for providing computer labs in all 9. Tribal Welfare Residential Schools with the procurement for both hard ware and manpower.

(Action by: Gurukulam)

10. The State Council has agreed in principle for providing better quality rice (preferred variety with less percentage of broken rice) to the TW Hostels and TW Residential Schools through Civil Supplies Department.

(Action by: Tribal Welfare & Civil Supplies Departments)

The State Council has approved for extending the man-days from 11. existing 100 days to 150 days for 3 months under NREGS and the required budget proposal to be met from the TSP funds of 2014-15.

(Action by: Tribal Welfare & Rural Development)

- 12. The State Council has approved for additional allocation of Rs. 18.00 lakhs, under the program of 'Conduct of Ground Water investigation'.
- 13. The State Council has approved the sanction of New Born Baby Kits for ST mothers of all new born babies.

(Action by : Health & Family Welfare Departments)

- The Nodal Agency recommended and placed the following proposals 14. for approval of State Council to promote industries and entreprenureship among STs.
 - i) Credit Guarantee Scheme
 - II)Contractors Development Programme
 - iii)Reservation in Marketing support
 - iv)Supply Diversity Programme
 - v) Venture Capital
 - vi)Margin Money Scheme

(Action by : Industries Departments)

15. The State Council has accorded permission to take up mini- stadium at Salur instead of Kurupam with an estimated cost of Rs.210.00 lakhs.

(Action by: MD ,

SAAP)

- 16. The State Council has approved extending financial assistance to tribal girls at the time of marriage under the new scheme'Giriputrika Kalyana Pathakam' with financial assistance of Rs.50,000/- to tribal girls at the time of their marriage. Required grants shall be provide by way of re-appropriation.
- 17. The State Council has directed to prepare action plan for Coffee Plantations in tribal areas of Paderu damaged due to Hud Hud Cyclone.

(Action by: MD,TRICOR)

18. The State Council has approved the allocation of Rs.5.00 crores to I&PR Department under TSP during 2014-15 by way of reappropriation.

(Action by: TW & I&PR Departments)

- 19. The State Council has approved to create the Head of account for sponsoring ST candidates for coaching for Civil Services Examination with necessary grants by way of re-appropriation from the unspent grants under TSP.
- 20. The State Council has approved to change of account for releasing grants to AP Transco under TSP

(Action by: AP TRANSCO)

- 21. The State Council has approved to resume the budget under TSP for reappropriation towards reimbursement of electricity charges of ST households of ST Colonies consuming below 50 units per month.
- 22. The State Council has agreed for release of grants to Government Degree College, Seetampeta, Srikakulam Dist. for an amount of Rs.5.00 crores during 2014-15 for creation of infrastructure.
- 23. The State Council has approved in principle and directed the nodal agency to assess the requirement of the budget, action plan to implement from 2015-16 on the following;

Phase I: Conversion of Hostels into Residential Schools

(46) Hostels in scheduled areas to be merged.

- 6,482 students to be admitted in nearby Res. Schools.
- (131) Hostels in plain areas covering 13,684 students
- To be upgraded/converted into (41) Residential Schools.

Phase II: Upgrading existing schools/Opening new schools

- Total 3.70 lakh school age ST children studying $3^{\rm rd}$ to $10^{\rm th}$ in the state.
- 1.5 lakh children are already covered by existing residential institutions.
- Remaining 2.20 lakh ST day- scholars to be brought into residential fold.
- By opening/ converting/ upgrading 200 Residential Schools @1000 students per school.
- Over a period of next 5 years @ 40 Residential schools per year.

Agenda 6: Review of welfare department activities

Hon'ble Chief Minister opined that there is a overlapping of activities, programmes, schemes meant for the welfare and development of weaker sections for which the Government is spending crores of rupees. He has also reviewed the developmental activities of the welfare departments and issued certain instructions to department wise as detailed below.

Rural <u>Development</u>

- To work in close coordination with Panchayat Raj Dept. to ensure more fruitful results of the programmes;
- To monitor the implementation of programmes from Central IT room;
- To submit a report on the impact of use of technology with photographs to GoI; and
- To sanction 50% of expenditure basing on photographs without waiting for the completion of works.

Society for Elimination of Poverty (SERP)

- Baseline data on Poorest of the Poor (PoP) needs to be built up.
- Examine the establishment of Women Corporation will be established as part of Social Empowerment of Women.

Social Welfare Department

 Prepare Action Plan for infrastructure, economic activity and beneficiary oriented programmes with emphasis on giving credit guarantee schemes, workout Marketing tie up; fixing less Margin Money; and collect less or zero interest.

Women Development & Child Welfare

- Effective convergence by restructuring the existing six member convergence mechanism with the health and nutrition functionaries as members and Panchayat Secretary, as the Convener and SHG and PRIs need to be involved in the activities.
- Non officials, if necessary, as members may be included.
- Meeting shall be held on every first Saturday.

Backward Class Welfare

- Prepare action plan for artisan communities.
- Training for Nayee Brahmins to set up Beauty Parlors for their livelihood.

Education Department

- · Built the data for Aadhar linkage Child enrollment data.
- Aadhar linked data up to 10th standard by School Education Dept.
- · Data for preschool children by Women & Child Welfare Dept.
- Ensure 100% enrollment and 100% Aadhar linkage.
- Work out data standards and frame work for data convergence.

- Departments concerned to work out the infrastructure requirements and funds and conversion of hostels into residential hostels
- All the schools to be provided with Internet, video conferencing facilities to improve the quality of education

Panchayat Raj Department

- MGNRSA works to be taken up for road connectivity in all the GPs particularly in GPs with SC and ST population.
- Set up of Swacha Andhra Pradesh Corporation.
- Departments concerned to take up and complete the works relating to Swatch Andhra on priority.

Skill Development Corporation

Hon'ble Chief Minister concluded the meeting requesting the Ministers and Special Chief Secretaries, Principal Secretaries, Secretaries and HoDs to work with commitment, dedication and in close coordination with each other to realize the ultimate objective of people's satisfaction.

Sd/Chief Minister & Chairman
State Council for Development for
SCs / STs