

**Ministry of Human Resource Development  
(Department of Elementary Education & Literacy)**

**MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING HELD WITH MONITORING  
INSTITUTIONS ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2006.**

The third meeting of Monitoring institutions involved in Monitoring and supervision of implementation of SSA in States/UTs was held under Chairpersonship of Ms. Vrinda Sarup, Joint Secretary (EE-II) on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2006 at Casuarina Hall, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. A list of participants is enclosed.

2. Shri P Sukumar, Deputy Secretary welcomed the participants and informed the participants that one of the objectives of the meeting is to meet the representatives of the Monitoring institutions to discuss the status of MOU pending UCs and releasing of recurring grants for 2006-07 as per revised TOR. This was followed by a round of introduction of participants.

3. The meeting began with brief presentation by Shri P. Sukumar, Deputy Secretary, highlighting the status of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), proposal for release of first installments of grants for the year 2006-07, UCs pending and expectations from the monitoring institutions and their participations in regional review meetings/Joint Review Missions of SSA.

4. This was followed by taking up of agenda items one by one.

**Agenda item 1.**

**Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting held on 14-12-2005**

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.

**Agenda item 2.**

**Discussion on MOU and TOR:**

Shri P. Sukumar, Deputy Secretary reviewed the status of MOU. It was noted that out of 41 Monitoring institutions (MIs) 37 have already submitted the MOU duly signed by the

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respective authorities. Of the remaining 4 Monitoring institutions the position is indicated below:

SL.No	Name of the Monitoring Institution	Position
1.	Pondichery University, Pondichery	The representative of the M.I. had submitted MOU duly signed by the university authorities at the meeting.
2.	Center for Study of Development Society, Delhi:	The representative of the M.I has promised to submit the MOU within a fortnight
3.	Nagaland University, Nagaland Kohima:	No representative of the M.I had participated in the meeting. Joint Secretary (EE-II) directed Shri K.Ghrija Shankar, Consultant (Monitoring) SSA,TSG, EDCIL to follow this matter with M.I and visit Kohima (Nagaland) for settling the UCs and to enquire progress on MOU.
4.	Osmania University, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh:	The representative of the University expressed his inability to continue to undertake monitoring activities under SSA due to other activities. It was decided to identify a M.I's for Andhra Pradesh in consultation with the State Project office, Andhra Pradesh..

**Agenda Item 3 :**

**Discussion on Submission of status of Utilization Certificates by monitoring Institute in respect of grants released so far.**

The UCs are pending from the following 11 monitoring institutions. The position reported by the representatives of the M.I's is indicated against each.

SL.No	Name of the Monitoring institute	Position
1.	Center for Development studies, Kerala	The UCs were pending for both non-recurring as well as recurring grant, released during the year 2003-04. The representative of the MI submitted both the UCs at the meeting.
2.	Mizoram University, Mizoram	The representative of Mizoram University submitted the UCs for non-recurring and recurring grants duly signed by the finance officer, Mizoram University in the meeting.
3.	Nagaland University, Nagaland:	No representative participated in the meeting. UCs for recurring grants and non-recurring grants relapsed during the year 2003-04 is <u>pending</u> .
4.	University of North Bengal, Darjeeling, West Bengal (Sikkim)	The representative of the Monitoring Institution submitted the UC for Rs.38,000/- for recurring grant released during the year 2003-04 in the meeting.
5.	G.B. Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad, UP:	The representative of the Institute submitted UCs for both for year recurring of Rs.59,000/- and non-recurring grants of Rs.1.30 lakhs released during 2003-04 in the meeting.
6.	Viswa-bharti University, West Bengal:	The representative of the Monitoring Institution submitted the UCs for both recurring and non-recurring grants for the year-2003-04, in the meeting.
	M S University, Baroda, Gujarat	The representative of the Monitoring Institution submitted the UCs for both recurring and non-recurring grants for the year 2003-04, in the meeting.

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8.	Center for Study of Development Societies, Delhi.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution assured to submit UCs for non-recurring grant released during the year 2003-04 and recurring grant released during the year 2004-05 <u>within a fortnight.</u>
9.	Alagappa University, Tamil- Nadu	The representative of the Monitoring Institution has reported that they have not received the non-recurring grant of Rs. 1.30 lakhs release during the year 2003-04 and also promised to send the UC for recurring grant for Rs.51,500/- <u>within a week time.</u> The representative of the Monitoring Institution was advised to send a letter from the Registrar reporting that they have not received the non-recurring grant of Rs. 1.30 lakhs from the Ministry so that follow up action can be taken.
10.	Manipur University, Manipur.	UCs pending for non-recurring grant of Rs.1.30 lakhs and recurring grant of Rs.45,000/- released during the year 2003-04. The representative of the M.I during the 14 <sup>th</sup> December,2005 had informed that they had not received recurring grants released during the year 2003-04 and received only the non-recurring grant but now the representative of the M.I has confirmed at the meeting that they have also received recurring grants of Rs. 45,000/- released during the year 2003-04. He promised to send requisite UCs <u>within a fortnight.</u>

11.	SNDT University, Maharashtra	The UC for non-recurring grant of Rs. 1.30 lakhs is pending from the University. The representative of the Monitoring Institution reported that they have not received the non-recurring grant of Rs. 1.30 lakhs sanctioned by the Ministry during the year 2003-04. She was advised to send a letter from the Registrar reporting that the University has not received the above grant so that follow up action can be taken.
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**Agenda item 4:**

**Status of grant releases to Monitoring Institution is during 2005-06**

Joint Secretary (EE-II) reviewed the utilization of grants released to the Monitoring Institutes during the year 2005-06.

It was indicated by most of the participants that the grant for the year 2005-06 was actually received by them during May, 2006. Joint Secretary (EE-II) therefore suggested that since the grant is to be adjusted against the expenditure incurred by them during 2005-06, there should be no problem for them to submit utilisation certificate for this grant. However in case some of the institutions have not been able to spend this grant they should request the ministry for carry forward and utilisation during the year 2006-07. Some other Monitoring Institutions has reported that grant is lying unspent and they will send the proposal for carry forward through appropriate authorities.

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The Position is indicated below:

SL.No	Name of the Monitoring Institution	Position
1.	Arunachal University, Arunachal Pradesh.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had reported that they have already submitted one quarterly monitoring report for 2005-06. and that they would also submit the utilization certificate for Rs.27,250/- within a fortnight.
2.	Guwahati University, Guwahati, Assam.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had informed that they would need carry forward for recurring grant of Rs. 33,250/- for Utilization during 2006-07. The MI has not submitted any quarterly monitoring report for the year 2005-06.
3.	Jamia Mallia, Delhi (Bihar)	The representative of the Monitoring Institutions has informed that one Quarterly monitoring report for the year 2005-06 has been submitted. The M.I to submit UC for the recurring grant of Rs. 62,000/-
4.	A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna, Bihar.	The representative of Monitoring Institution requested for permission for carry forward for the recurring grant of Rs. 28,750/- for which he will submit appropriate proposal within a fortnight.
5.	RIE, Bhopal, Chhattisgarh	The representative of Monitoring Institution had reported that they have already submitted two Quarterly Monitoring reports and they will also submit the UC for the recurring grant of Rs. 52,652/- within a week's time.
6.	Sardar Patal Institute of Economic and Social Research, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had informed that they have received recurring grant of Rs. 21,250/- for 7 Districts. though they had been

6		assigned 11 Districts. Therefore, they need to be sanctioned grant for 4 more Districts. They have already submitted one quarterly monitoring report for the year 2005-06 and they also assured to submit the UC within a fortnight.
7.	University of Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir.	No representative of the Monitoring Institution was present in the Meeting. The MI has to request for carry forward for the released recurring grants during the year 2005-06.
8.	University of Kashmir, Jammu & Kashmir.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution requested for carry forward for the recurring grant of Rs. 22,000/- for which he will submit appropriate proposal within a fortnight
9.	RIE, Mysore, Karnataka.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution has informed that they will submit UC for the recurring grant of Rs.. 22,750/- within a fortnight.
10.	MPISSR, Ujjain Maharashtra.	The representative of Monitoring Institution requested that there is need of carry forward for Rs. 22,750/-. He was advised to send carry forward proposal to the Ministry within week's time.
11.	Indian Institute of Education(IIE), Pune, Maharashtra.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had informed that they will submit reports within a week along with UC for Rs. 30,180/- for Maharashtra and for Rs. 16,750/- for Dadra & N. Haveli, UT.
12.	Dr. P.N. Institute of Advanced Study in Education, Sambalpur, Orissa.	The representative of Monitoring Institution had informed that they have received a grant of Rs. 8,500/- for the year 2005-06, after adjusting a unspent balance of Rs. 16,500/-. He, however pointed out that while submitting the UC for previous grant for the year 2003-04 they have

		already refunded the unspent balance of Rs. 16,500/-. Therefore, the Ministry would need to be sanctioned an amount of Rs. 16,500/- for 2005-06. Necessary papers were handed over.
13.	Institute of Development Studies, Jaipur, Rajasthan.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had indicated that they would need carry forward recurring grant of Rs. 26,122/- sanctioned during 2005-06. He was advised to submit proposal for carry forward to the Ministry as early as possible.
14.	IIM Bangalore, Karnataka	The representative of the M.I has informed that there institution has not received recurring grants during the year 2004-05. In anticipation of MHRD funding, the institutions has done monitoring activities and submitted one quarterly monitoring report for the year 2004-05 and requested the ministry to release Rs.66,000/- for the year 2004-05 as reimbursement against the expenditure incurred by the institution. The MI has informed that against Rs.66,000/- the ministry has released Rs.25,750/- only and in the sanction order they made calculation for 13 districts even though the MHRD has allocated 16 districts to their institution. The Institution requested for reimbursement but the MHRD has given a fresh sanction order for the year 2005-06 and amount was received only during the month of may 2006. The DS(PS) has informed that the ministry has proposed for Rs.51,500/- but IFD has recommended Rs.25,750/- because the IIM Bangalore has submitted only one quarterly monitoring report. The representative of Monitoring Institution was advised to submit. The ministry has to examine why sanctioned

		amount was released for 13 districts, even though the MI was allocated for 16 districts.
15.	Tripura University, Tripura.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution was advised to seek carry forward of the grant of Rs. 19,000/- released during 2005-06.
16.	CADR, Lucknow, U.P.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution indicated that they would need permission for carry forward for the grant of Rs. 6324/- released during the year 2005-06. He was advised to submit carry forward proposal to the Ministry within a week's time.
17.	Lucknow University, Lucknow U.P.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution indicated that they have already sent a request for carry forward of Rs. 1.30 lakhs sanctioned as non-recurring grant during 2005-06. He informed that he will submit UC as soon as he receive carry forward permission from the ministry.
18.	NIAR Mussoorie, Uttaranchal.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution promised to send the UC for the grant of Rs. 25,750/- within two weeks.
19.	NKC Development Studies Centre, Orissa.	The representative of the Monitoring Institution had informed that they will submit UC for Rs. 52,485/- within a week's time.

The representative of North-East Hill University indicated that they had submitted reports in 2005-06 and they have not received funds. Similar was the case of ISEC, Bangalore. Both the Institution were advised to send demands based on actual expenditure.

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**Agenda Item: 5**

**Discussion on Coordination with State Authorities:**

A few representatives of the Monitoring Institutions had expressed their view that they are not getting adequate cooperation from the State Project Offices. There was a lack of coordination between State Project Office and Monitoring Institution and they are not getting even the requisite data to monitor the implementation of SSA, MDM, KGBV and NPEGEL programmes.

JS (EE-II) suggested that the Monitoring Institutions should indicate if there are any specific instances of lack of coordination and cooperation from the State Project Offices. So that ministry can take up the matter with concerned SPD to out this matter.

**Agenda Item: 6**

**Other Issues:**

- 1) One of the expectations of Monitoring Institution is to visit 5% of elementary schools/EGS centres in the respective allocated districts. Most of the participants were of the view that it will be difficult for them to visit 5% schools/EGS centres particularly in larger State/Districts. They were of the opinion that this percentage should be lowered to 2 - 2.5%. Ministry had suggested the Monitoring Institutions should do the exercise for the first six months and then come up with a proposal if they have any difficulties in this regard.
- 2) It was unanimously agreed that work relating to sanction of grants to Monitoring Institutions should be transferred to TSG, Ed.CIL in order to have smooth flow of fund.
- 3) One of the representatives of the M.I has informed that there is urgent need of formation of National Level monitoring institution, further he informed that earlier NCERT, NIEPA has taken the responsibilities as National Level

Monitoring Institutions. DS (PS) has informed that so far two institutions has submitted proposals to work as national level monitoring institution.

- 4) Joint Secretary (EE-II) informed the participants that there has been an increase in the budget allocation for the program by GOI from Rs 500 crore to Rs 11,000 crores. This funding has to be utilised to target infrastructure gap in difficult areas for example there are 300 districts with 60,000 out of school children in each districts, 51 districts with more than 75% of SC population, 75 districts with substantial ST population and 93 districts having concentration of minority population, which needs provision of infrastructures and other facilities to target hard to reach the children. The Ministry has identified 5 States namely Bihar, UP, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan as special watch states, which requires special attention.
- 5) The Ministry has advised representative of the Monitoring Institutions to participate in the Regional Review Meetings and JRM of SSA schedule in June-July 2006. The Ministry will address the Monitoring Institutions after the schedule of these meetings are finalised. The first such meeting is being held at Chennai on 22nd -23rd June, 2006.

The Meeting appreciated the work of conducting the meeting of MIs particularly the efforts of K.Girijashankar.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

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