

State Level Empowered Committee for Public Private Partnership Projects

8th Meeting

5th August 2011

Venue: CS ante-chamber

Minutes

1. The eighth meeting of the State Level Empowered Committee (SLEC) for PPP projects was held on 5th August 2011.
2. The following were present:

1.	Shri Avani Vaish	Chief Secretary, in the Chair
2.	Shri G.P. Singhal	Principal Secretary, Finance Department
3.	Shri K. Suresh	Principal Secretary, Economics Statistics & Planning
4.	Shri Dev Raj Birdi	Principal Secretary, Tribal Welfare Department
5.	Shri Rajneesh Vaish	Principal Secretary, School Education Department
6.	Shri Manoj Jhalani	Commissioner, Rajya Shiksha Kendra, School Education
7.	Shri Ashok Barnwal	Commissioner, Public Instruction
8.	Shri Arun Kochar	Commissioner, Tribal Welfare Development
9.	Shri Anurag Shrivastava	O.S.D., Information & Technology Department.
10.	Shri P.K. Verma	Additional Secretary, Law Department
11.	Dr.K.S.R.V.S. Chalam	Director, Institutional Finance

3. The Committee discussed the project of 'ICT @ Schools' in detail and the following decisions were taken :
 - i) The estimated cost of the proposed project be re-examined and firmed up separately, with respect to capital expenditure and the recurring costs taking into account the whole project period and thereafter to assess /know the total financial /funds requirement for the proposed project, prior to launch of the project.

ii) The Committee agreed that the project could either be on a recurring grant or a premium to be paid by the vendor. The nature of financial commitment could only be firmed up on testing the market. However, the committee directed that while finalizing the bid(s) it is to be ensured that the State & Central Government's contribution on present value basis is not more than Rs. 6.70 lakh per school for the project period.

iii) It was agreed that since Microsoft Office is widely used everywhere and the children should be made more familiar with it, the Microsoft office may be used as the operating system.

iv) Regarding provision of servers etc to be used in each school, the Committee agreed that, since the payments are to be made on fulfillment of service level agreement, it may be left to the vendor.

v) It was apprised that the project is for 5 years. The Committee agreed that the vendor may be given the option to extend the project by another 3 years, subject to necessary upgradation of technology.

vi) Since this project involves substantial public funds involving a tender process, finalization of the same shall be done by a Committee to be constituted for this purpose.

vii) The implementation agency of this project shall have to ensure that a suitable mechanism is in place to ensure that the school premises are not accessible to anti-social elements. It is also necessary to ensure that undesirable and illegal activities are totally prohibited in these labs.

viii) The Committee approved the project with the direction that Cabinet approval for the project should also be taken.

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