

## European Union State Partnership Programme

### Minutes of 15th meeting of Programme Steering Committee (PSC) held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2014

Fifteenth meeting of the Programme Steering Committee of 'European Union State Partnership Programme' was held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 at Mantralaya, Naya Raipur. Chief Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh presided over the meeting. The list of participants is furnished at Annexure I.

#### 1. Agenda 1& 2

Presentation by the Joint Review Mission fielded by the European Commission and discussion on the findings & recommendations of the Joint Review Mission:

Mr. Richard Slater, Team Leader, Joint Review Mission (JRM) presented findings of their mission in Chhattisgarh. The Mission reviewed progress of SPP.

The key recommendations:

1. Rigorous planning & monitoring to ensure full and time bound utilisation of unspent budget.
2. Extension of existing TA from April 2015 to project end funded from residual tranche EUR 2 million scheduled for release in Q1 2015.
3. Finance Department to ensure use of Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for 2014-15 budget preparation.
4. Education to implement actions on Public Expenditure Review (PER) study.
5. Health & Education to strengthen procurement as per audit reports and submit ATR to DIF.
6. Initiate procurement audit for 2012-13 & 2013-14.
7. DIF to ensure proper EC-SPP accounting (specific recommendations will be made in the JRM report).
8. Depts to initiate impact studies to inform project completion report.
9. No new activities to be planned post 2015.

#### **Department wise recommendations:**

##### **Education**

- To ensure timely spending need rigorous mechanism for monitoring physical & financial progress of upgrading training facilities.
- Tribal Welfare to establish system for health & nutrition monitoring of hostel students.
- Implement approved policy on DIET cadre.

## Health

- Detailed Feasibility Report for Korba PPP Trauma unit to be prepared.
- All 5 SNCUs to be accredited by NNF.
- Constitute Committee at State/ district level to monitor Dashboard.
- Speed up customisation of E-hospital by providing on job expertise.
- Analyse value addition of EC support to national health programmes.

## Federation

- Clear decision on way forward either as:
  - Subsidized livelihood programme.
  - Sustainable business.
- Immediate priorities :
  - Needs post 2015 staffing plan.
  - Implement Packaging Study Recs (quality/ standardization, branding).
  - Reorganization & rationalization production & sales units.

## Panchayat

- Roll out PRI Roadmap.
- Implement Recs of Capacity Building and Perspective Plan.
- Re-examine key data available with depts & develop simpler & more streamlined MIS.

2. The committee discussed on the various aspects of the JRM recommendations and the EUSPP programme and suggested following :

1. MTEF to be used as reference document for budget preparation by the Finance Department.

(Action: Finance and Planning Department)

2. Euro 2 million will be released by EU Delegation of India in January-March, 2015. Chhattisgarh government will take a decision on the Technical Assistance support based on the feedback received from the partner departments in this regard to extend existing TA till December, 2015.

(Action: DIF and Partner Departments)

3. Mr. Shouvik Datta, Senior Programme Manager, EU Delegation informed the committee that TA may extend their period from December-2014 to March, 2015 with their savings. The proposal is pending with European Union for approvals.

4. Success stories to be documented and case studies to be undertaken for various innovations and initiatives under EUSPP.

(Action: Partner Departments)

5. Department of Health will submit separate proposal for Korba PPP Trauma unit.

(Action: Department of Health & Family Welfare)

6. Department of Health & Family Welfare proposed for reactivation of a terminated activity "Construction of ANM Training centre at Korea District" with termination of three ongoing activities. DIF informed the committee that there were some observations relating to approval of this activity as follows:

- Whether the cost of construction would exceed 35% of the total allocation under EUSPP to Department of Health & Family Welfare. On account of proposal submitted.
- Total fund available for reallocation as on date taking in to consideration amount already spent/committed in the activities.
- Closure plan for activities to be terminated.
- Whether the closure would in any way make the financial resources already spent infructuous.

Committee advised Department of Health & Family Welfare and DIF to coordinate and put the proposal before PSC.

(Action: DIF & Department of Health & Family Welfare)

Agenda 3: Discussion on revised & fresh proposals of implementing departments

3.1 The revised allocation on receipt of actual allocation from Government of India are as follows:

S.No.	Name of the Department	Amount
1.	Health & Family Welfare	25,52,53,024
2.	School Education	40,04,13,024
3.	Forest (CGMFP Fed. ltd)	2,19,06,976
4.	Panchayat & Rural Development	5,50,43,000
5.	Directorate of Institutional Finance	97,00,000

DIF informed the committee that the proposals were approved by Chief Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh (Chairperson, PSC) pending ratification by PSC are put up for ratification.

**PSC ratified the proposal.**

3.2 Following Departments submitted Prioritized Project Implementation Plans within the overall allocation communicated by DIF after release of the 8 million euro from last tranche of European Union as follows:

- Department of Health- Rs. 11.64 crores
- Department of School Education Rs. 40.04 crores

DIF informed the committee that the proposals were approved by Chief Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh (Chairperson, PSC) pending ratification by PSC are put up for ratification.

**PSC ratified the proposal.**

3.3 Department of Forest (CGSMFP Fed. Ltd) and Department of Panchayat have submitted Prioritized Project Implementation Plans within the overall allocation communicated by DIF after release of the 8 million euro from last tranche of European Union as follows:

- Department of Forest (CGSMFP Fed. Ltd):- Department of Forest has submitted prioritized PIP of Rs. 311.00 lakhs including total allotment of Rs. 219.06 lakhs + 92 lakhs interest earned as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2014)

- Department of Panchayat- Department of Panchayat has submitted prioritized PIP of Rs. 588.66 lakhs including total allotment of Rs. 550.43 lakhs + 38.23 lakhs savings from activities.

**PSC approved the proposal.**

3.4 Chhattisgarh Academy of Administration has proposed for additional allocation of Rs. 12.50 lakhs for activity "Project on strengthening GAD and CG Academy of Administration- payment to IIMA, Ahmedabad".

DIF informed the committee that the proposal was approved by Chief Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh (Chairperson, PSC) pending ratification by PSC are put up for ratification.

**PSC ratified the proposal.**

3.5 Technical Assistance: Technical Assistance under the programme is till December, 2014. As per discussion in the 14<sup>th</sup> PSC meeting main partner departments were requested for their comments regarding extension of Technical Assistance beyond December, 2014. As per consolidated comments from concerned departments it was proposed that "Departments may decide themselves for suitable Technical Assistance as per their requirements, and proceed to make suitable provisions in their Project Implementation Plan with concurrence of Finance department"

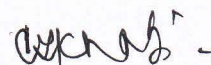
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**PSC ratified the proposal.**

3.6 Directorate of Economics & Statistics and State Planning Commission jointly proposed for "Project for updating Basic Statistical for Local Level Development (BSLLD) Work" costing Rs. 90.25 lakhs, including fund of Rs. 20 lakhs from Directorate of Economics & Statistics and Rs 70.25 lakhs of State Planning Commission.

**PSC approved the proposal.**

(Approved by Chief Secretary)



(Director-in-charge)

Directorate of Institutional Finance