Proceedings of the State Executive Committee (High Power Committee) meeting held under the Chairmanship of the Development Commissioner and Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka on 20-08-2016 at 12.30 pm at Room no.306, Vidhana Soudha regarding approval of the Rashriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)/Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyaan(RGPSA) Action Plan -2016-17.

Officers Present:

1. Smt. Latha Krishna Rao G, Development Commissioner and Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka
2. Dr. N. Nagambika Devi, Principal Secretary (PR), RDPR Dept.
3. Sri. Rithesh Kumar Singh, Secretary (Expenditure), Finance Department.
4. Sri. Mahadev, Director (PR-2)(I/c) and IFA, RDPR Dept.
7. Sri. H.P. Rajashekhara, Chief Engineer, KRIDL Head Office, Bangalore.
8. Sri. Purushotham Singh, Special Officer (ZP), Finance Department.
9. Sri. V. Ravi, Joint Director, Planning Section, Planning Department.

Director (PR-2), RDPR Dept., welcomed the Chairperson and all the Members of the State Executive Committee (High Power Committee) and the other officials present at the meeting and explained the Objectives of the CSS Scheme RGSA/RGPSA & reiterated that the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India has introduced RGPSA from March 2013. Existing schemes like RGSY, PMEYSA and e-PANCHAYAT were converged into one scheme called RGPSA/RGSA. Karnataka has been asked to submit an Action Plan for the Financial Year 2016-17. This scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme with 60:40 funding pattern from Central and State respectively. During 2015-16, an amount of Rs.32.71 crores were released to Karnataka from the Government of India.

The Committee discussed the Objectives of RGSA/RGPSA and the manner in which it can be optimally achieved in Karnataka. The activities permitted in the scheme and the Action Plan presentation made was also reviewed. After detailed discussions, the Committee resolved to adopt the Action Plan for 2016-17 which is as enumerated under:-
1. Capacity Building and Training for GPDP and Capacity Building other than the GPDP to Panchayat elected representatives and Panchayat functionaries: ANSSIRD, through a combination of face to face training programmes and SATCOM training will conduct training programmes in the Taluk Panchayat Resource Centers (Samarthya Soudhas), ZP and at ANSSIRD. An allocation of Rs.69.02 crores was approved for ANSSIRD and PR training activities.

2. Strengthening of institutional structures for training and capacity building: It was proposed to construct District Panchayat Resource Centres in all the districts. Presently there is institutional training facility at the TP level but no facility is there at the ZP/District level. Lands for the same have been identified. Out of Rs.45.00 crores, already released Rs.34.00 crores for construction of 30 District Panchayat Resource Centres to KRIDL. Remaining balance amount of Rs.11.00 crores for the District Panchayat Resource Centre construction was approved, recurring cost of SPRC Rs.40.00 lakhs, recurring cost of 10 DPRCs (per DPRC Rs.10.00 lakhs) Rs.1.00 crore and also furnishing of constructed DPRCs for Rs.10.00 crores was approved.

3. e-Enablement of Panchayats: The e-Panchayat PMU at the State level and the District level needs to be continued after the e-Panchayat scheme funding ends as the e-Panchayat scheme is merged in RGPSA/RGSA. A provision of Rs.84.42 crores was accepted for continuation of the Additional Manpower State Level/Service Provider to State e-Panchayat SPMU Manager, Technical Consultant, Accounts Expert and Office Assistant the continuation of District Level DPMUs, Empowerment of GPs by taking the service of Data Entry Operators and also the BSNL data charges for GPs @ 1499 per month for 12 months to all 6022 Gram Panchayaths.

4. Creation of RGPSA PMU at the State: RGPSA permits 5% expenditure on administrative expenses. To strengthen programme implementation the department will create PMUs at the State. All PMUs are to be manned by outsourced personnel. At the State level the SPMU will have 1-Project Assistant-panchayath expert/consultant, 1-Computer Programmer, 4-Data/MIS Operator and 4-Executive Assistant (Group D). Total remuneration of Rs.19.50 lakhs were approved.

5. Information, Education and Communication activities: There is a provision for bearing IEC expenditure from 1% of the scheme funds. An allocation of Rs.1.50 crore has been earmarked for IEC activities. This will be for publicity
cost for RDPR initiatives for information and mandatory disclosures on its statutory work.

6. **Strengthening of the State Election Commission**: State Election Commission requires 1000 EVMs for conducting free and frank elections. 1 EVM (1 Ballot Unit and 1 Control Unit) @ Rs.14,575-00. Purchasing of 1000 EVMs total amounting Rs.145.75 lakhs were approved.

7. **Strengthening of Decentralization Analysis Cell**: DAC was in need of professional and administrative staff for its management, consolidation of knowledge, referral support and other knowledge services. Presently the DAC works under Gram Swaraj phase II project with a chief, 1-Economist, 2-Research Officers, 4-Research Assistants, 2-Programmers, 1-Executive Assistant and 1-Group D. For Strengthening of Decentralization Analysis Cell of Rs.1.92 crores was approved.

Approval was accorded to send the State Action Plan for 2016-17 for an amount of Rs.169.92 crores (Statement enclosed) under RGSA/RGPSA to the MOPR.

Meeting concluded with Vote of Thanks.

(Latha Krishna Rao G)
Development Commissioner and
Additional Chief Secretary to the Government.
Government of Karnataka

**Copy to:**
1. All officials present at the meeting.
Annexure

Annual Action Plan 2016-17 under RGSA/RGPSA

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