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GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM

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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Education is the catalyst which bolsters holistic human resource development and thereby bringing about socio-economic progress. Therefore, the adoption of National Education Policy towards universalisation of elementary education with emphasis on qualitative improvement at all levels of education are the endeavors of the State in right earnest. In accordance approach to 11th Five Year Plan and vision theme is to make Sikkim into a model State which strives for attainment of a very high level of education for its population; nurtures arts, science and culture; ensures every individuals personal development to its full potential, promotes appropriate training in employable skills for all who need them and creates an ambience and infra-structure for the growth of institutions of excellence in education and research and in the application of Science and technology for development.”

On the basis of the vision statement the Long Term goals have been set as under:-

1. Make Sikkim a model State for imparting quality education
2. Provide Secondary education to all the children
3. Convert all kutchha school buildings into R.C.C. buildings
4. Provide science streams in all the Sr. Secondary Schools
5. Encourage participatory approach in the delivery of quality Education.
6. Develop a system that encourages students to gain multiple abilities to help them combat the rapid changes in the modern age of science and technology.
7. Help students learn skills that are applicable in day to day life.

I. VISIONS FOR THE 11TH FIVE YEAR PLAN

1. Impart Quality Education through development of manpower and Infra-structure
2. Bring all out of School Children into the school system.
3. Achievement of 95% Literacy rate by 2011-12.
4. To bring down dropout rate to 15% at Elementary Level.
5. Strengthening and consolidation of Colleges for higher Education.
6. Introduction of vocational streams at higher education level (college level).
7. Develop action plan for physically challenged students under IEDC
8. Training on Foreign Languages for capacity building of unemployed youths.
9. Monitoring of vision activities.

STRATEGIES FOR ACHIEVING THE VARIOUS VISIONS

1. QUALITY EDUCATION

▪ CAPACITY/SKILL BUILDING OF TEACHERS.

- (a) Establishment of DIET in West and South District.
- (b) Upgrade the SIE to SCERT with adequate infrastructure manpower and other facilities
- (c) In-service training/orientation to primary school teachers and language teachers.
- (d) Training of teachers through IGNOU to continue.
- (e) Shift teaching from teaching for examinations to teaching for understanding.
- (f) Bring about uniformity in teaching in all the schools and provide access to learning facilities existing outside the State through the implementation of EDUSAT Scheme in the State.

▪ INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

- (a) Construction of Building for 2 DIETs and strengthening one SCERT
- (b) Construction of Pucca school buildings in place of old Katcha and low cost school structures.

- (c) Water Supply to all schools.
- (d) Genderwise Construction of toilets for schools.
- (e) Development of Play grounds for schools.
- (f) Electricity connection in all the schools.
- (g) Repairs & Maintenance.

▪ **OTHER FACILITIES**

- (a) Library for all schools.
- (b) Strengthening of laboratories for secondary and senior secondary schools.
- (c) Strengthening of Sub-Division Offices and Block Administrative centre Offices
- (d) Strengthening of District Offices.

▪ **ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW SCHOOLS AND UPGRADATION.**

- (a) New Schools will be opened on need basis only.
- (b) Need based Up-gradation only.

2. BRING ALL OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN INTO THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

- (a) Incentives to continue
- (b) Parents awareness campaigns through NGOs.

3. ACHIEVEMENT OF 95% LITERACY RATE 2011-12

- (a) TLC/PLP Scheme to be implemented with right earnest with establishment of TLC/PLP Centres.
- (b) Identification of NGOS for /TLC/PLP Programme.
- (c) Training for NGOS for TLC/PLP and continuing education.
- (d) Organize people awareness campaigns through NGOS.

4. TO BRING DOWN DROPOUT RATE TO 15% AT ELEMENTARY LEVEL.

- (a) Incentives to continue
- (b) Awareness to parents through Teacher Parent Associations and NGOs.

5. Strengthening and consolidation of Colleges for higher education.

(a) Establishment of three (3) more colleges as already approved by the Government:-

1. ARTS COLLEGE, MANGAN NORTH SIKKIM,
2. ARTS COLLEGE, GYALSHING, WEST SIKKIM,
3. SCIENCE COLLEGE, SORENG, WEST SIKKIM

(b) Introduction of new streams in the existing colleges

(c) Develop modern teaching –learning techniques

(d) Consolidate existing facilities

(e) Infra structure development as per requirement

(f) Introduction of Post Graduate Courses

6. Training on Foreign Languages for capacity building of unemployed youths.

a) Develop facilities for training in terms of manpower.

II. ENGINEERING CELL

Under the department functional at all the four districts is actively involved for infrastructure development felt necessary. During 2008-09 25 number of schools development works were taken up and against which some have been completed while others are in the process of completion. Development works carried out were funded through following schemes with expenditure of 2008-09 indicated therein:-

1. 4202-01.201-70.45.76:NABARD	:Rs.4,13,11,027/-
70.46.76:NABARD	:Rs.90,77,497/-
70.47.76:NABARD	:Rs.25,39,698/-
70.48.76:NABARD	:Rs.36,70,032/-
TOTAL	<u>:Rs.5,65,98,254/-</u>
2.4202-01.201-70.45.75:NLCPR	:Rs.96,42,574/-
70.46.80:NLCPR	:Rs.1,04,79,372/-
70.47.79:NLCPR	:Rs.18,89,403/-
70.48.80:NLCPR	:Rs.74,54,073/-
TOTAL	<u>:Rs.2,94,65,422/-</u>
3.4202-01.202-70.45.75:NLCPR	:Rs.91,92,000/-
70.46.75:NLCPR	:Rs.45,55,000/-
70.48.75:NLCPR	:Rs.90,00,000/-
TOTAL	<u>: Rs.2,26,77,000/-</u>

4.4202-01.796-00.00.60:Schemes under TSP	:Rs.1,20,00,000/-
00.00.62:	:Rs.1,79,15,631/-
00.00.63:	:Rs.2,04,74,000/-
TOTAL	: Rs.5,03,89,631/-
5.4202-01.789-00.00.60:Schemes under SCP	:Rs. 40,83,400/-
00.00.61:	:Rs. 34,25,000/-
TOTAL	:Rs. 75,08,400/-
GRAND TOTAL	: Rs.16,66,08,707/-

III.SANSKRIT EDUCATION IN SIKKIM

HRDD is providing grant- in- aid to the 12 Sanskrit Pathsala in three districts of the State in the following manners:-

Sl.No.	Name of Pathsalas	Amount
1.	Lower Bermiok	Rs.35,000.00
2.	Samdong	Rs. 30,000.00
3.	Sripatam	Rs.20,000.00
4.	Pacheykhani	Rs. 30,000.00
5.	Aho Yangtam	Rs.20,000.00
6.	Tareythang	Rs.30,000.00
7.	Linkey	Rs.30,000.00
8.	Rhenock Bazaar	Rs.15,000.00
9.	Central Pendam	Rs. 20,000.00
10.	Rhenock Khamdong	Rs. 20,000.00
11.	Agrigoan	Rs. 20,000.00
12.	Lingmoo	Rs. 20,000.00
	TOTAL	Rs. 2,90,000.00

IV. LANGUAGE SECTION

The Language Section viz. Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo and Nepali revised the following books for the session 2008-09.

- (1)Lepcha
- Chhukpnyom Pundor (Prose) Class: IX & X
 - Chhukdong Pundor (Poetry) Class: IX& X
 - Nursery Rhymes (New Edition) for Pre-Primary class.

- (2)Bhutia. i Sung Dep. (Supplementary Reader) Class: I
 ii Denzong Charap (Supplementary Reader) Class: X
 iii.Nursery Rhymes (New Edition) for Pre-Primary class.

- (3)Limboo i. Yakthung Sapsok Phona Class: III
 ii.Yakthung Sapsok Phona Class: IV
 iii. Nursery Rhymes (New Edition) for Pre-Primary class.

- (4)Nepali i. Geeti Mala , Nursery Rhymes (New Edition) for Pre-Primary class.
 ii. Verna Mala (New Edition) for Pre-Primary class.

In addition to the above work, Primer III and IV were prepared under Total Literacy campaign and Post Literacy Campaign programme. These books are ready for printing and approval from the experts of the MHRD, New Delhi.

- 5.The semester wise syllabus in Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo and Nepali for classes I to VIII for the session 2008-09 were prepared.
- 6.Prepared the question papers (Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo, and Nepali) for Home and Board Examinations for classes IV to IX for the session 2008.
- 7.In relation to Board Examination under CBSE, New Delhi question papers in Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo and Nepali were prepared for the session 2009.
- 8.The spot evaluation of answer scripts in Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo and Nepali for class VIII Board Examination 2008.

V. SCHOLARSHIP SECTION

The scholarship section of Human Resource Development Department, Govt. of Sikkim looks after the implementation of scholarship schemes of both the state and the centrally sponsored schemes of Govt. of India.

The major ongoing activities looked after by the Scholarship Section, HRDD are as under:

- Allotment of Quota Seats to students for pursuing various Post-Matric courses in and outside the State.
- Printing and issue of application forms for the State Common Entrance Test for admission of students against State quota seats

for Medical, Engineering and allied Science courses and for other general courses at Diploma/Graduate and Post Graduate Level.

- Award of Post matric Scholarship to students, who are pursuing various post matric courses and Merit Scholarship & Prerna Scholarship to students of Government Schools and payment of scholarship thereof.

DIFFERENT TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

➤ **Post Matric Scholarship**

Vide Notification No.166/Sch/HRDD dated 13.8.2003 Government of Sikkim has two types of Post Matric Scholarship Schemes for Sikkimese students who are pursuing various Post Matric Professional and Technical Courses in the various Institutes in and outside the State as under:

- 1 (a) **Merit scholarship**, are awarded to students who secure an aggregate marks of 70% and above in class XII Board Examination or equivalent examination of any recognized Board for pursuing any under graduate course of his or her preference.
- (b) **General scholarship**, are awarded to students who secure below 70% but above 50% and subject to fulfillment of the eligibility criteria for pursuing courses at Diploma, Degree and Post Graduate Level as notified in notification no. 116/Sch/HRDD dated: 13.08.2003.

➤ **Scholarship for Below Poverty Line (BPL)**

Financial assistance at the rate of Rs.300/-p.m is awarded to local students belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) in Government Colleges in the State. (Notification No.463/SCH/HRDD dated 24.3.2005).

➤ **Fellowship grants for pursuing Ph.D courses**

Fellowship grants for pursuing Ph.D courses at the rate of Rs. 6000/-p.m. per student and contingency grant of Rs. 12000/per annum for a maximum period of three years or on completion of the course whichever is earlier is awarded to Local Students pursuing Ph.d studies on Sikkim related subjects.(Notification No.506/Est/HRDD dated: 22.2.2006)

As partial amendment to Notification No.506/Est/HRDD dated: 22.2.2006, vide Notification No. 010/03/SCH/HRDD/2007-2008/594 dated 13th March 2008, to encourage in- service candidates of the State Government, a fellowship grant of Rs. 3000.00 (three thousand only) plus a contingency grant of Rs. 12000/- per anum for a maximum period of 3 years or completion of research study whichever is earlier will be paid to in-service candidates.

➤ **Merit Scholarship scheme for school education**

As per Notification No 225/Sch/Edn dated 11.06.02 Merit Scholarship is awarded to students of Government Schools who secure First, Second & third position in the following Qualifying Examination for their studies in classes VI to XII as under:

Sl. No	Qualifying Examination	Position	Rate of sch.	Class
A.	Class V Open Competitive Examination conducted by HRDD at Sub-Division Level	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.1200/p.a Rs. 1000/-p.a Rs. 800/-p.a	VI, VII & VIII
B.	Class VIII (SJHSE) Examination selection of candidate is done at District Level	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.1500/-p.a Rs.1200/p.a Rs. 900/-p.a	IX & X
C.	Class X Board examination selection of candidate is done at District Level.	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.1800/-p.a Rs.1500/p.a Rs.1200/-p.a	XI & XII

➤ **Prerna Scholarship**

Secondly, Prerna Scholarship is awarded to the next three **girl students** from the same merit list already prepared for the award of Merit Scholarship vide notification No. 236/Sch/Edn dated 07.01.04

placed at cp-60-61. The rates for award of Prerna Scholarship are as follows:

Sl. No	Name	Position	Rate of sch.	Class
A.	Elementary Education	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.800/-p.a Rs.700/-p.a Rs.600/-p.a	VI, VII & VIII
B.	Secondary Education	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.900/-p.a Rs.800/-p.a Rs.700/-p.a	IX & X
C.	Sr. Secondary Education	1 st 2 nd 3 rd	Rs.1200/-p.a Rs.1100/-p.a Rs.1000/-p.a	XI & XII

➤ **Local Students studying in RIMC Dehradun**

Financial assistance is awarded to Local Students studying in RIMC Dehradun and Sainik School Goalpara, Assam @ Rs. 20000 /per annum per student.

➤ **State Level National Talent Search Examination**

Merit scholarship at the rate of Rs.100/-p.m for ten academic months is awarded to ten toppers (local students) who qualify in the State Level National Talent Search Examination securing 60% marks and above.

➤ **Assistance to orphan Children of Attish Dipankar Destitute Home, Chakung, West Sikkim**

Reimbursement of annual school fees amounting to approximately Rs.18,000/- in total incurred on the Orphan Children of Attish Dipankar Destitute Home, Chakung, West Sikkim.

✦ **CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES**

➤ **Financial support to the students of North Eastern Region for higher professional courses (NEC Plan Scheme)**

Financial support are given to the students of North Eastern Region for pursuing higher professional courses in Diploma,

VI. EXAM SECTION

ACTIVITIES OF THE EXAM SECTION

The Examination cell of the Department of H.R.D.D. annually conducts, supervises and administers various examinations, viz;

1. CBSE EXAMINATION
2. COMMON ENTRANCE TEST (CET)
3. NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION
4. ANNUAL AND SJHS BOARD EXAMINATION
5. CLASS V MERIT/PRERNA GIRLS MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

OTHER ACTIVITIES:-

1. REGISTRATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS & TUTORIALS
2. AUTHENTICATION OF MARKSHEET/CERTIFICATES OF SIKKIM MANIPAL UNIVERSITY.
3. SELECTION OF TWO BRIGHT GIRLS FOR ADMISSION TO HIMJYOTI SCHOOL, DEHRADUN.
4. WORKSHOP ON QUALITY EDUCATION WITH THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT SR. SECONDARY SCHOOLS & SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

CBSE EXAMINATION

During March –April 2009, the C.B.S.E. class X and XII examinations were held in the State in 29 examination centres.

The result of the CBSE class X and XII for the year 2008-09 are as under:

Class XII -2008-09

Subjects	Appeared	Pass	Compart	Pass Percentage
Humanities	1800	1447	247	80%
Science	514	308	101	60%
Commerce	326	241	59	74%
Vocational	491	431	51	88%
Total	3131	2427	458	77%

Class X – 2008-09

Year	Total Appeared	Total Passed	Compart	Pass percentage
2007	3698	2197	1365	59.4%

COMMON ENTRANCE TEST (CET)

In the month of May 2009, the Common Entrance Test (C.E.T.) for MBBS/BE Quota seats was conducted. The test was initiated in 2004. This year i.e. in 2009, a total of 765 candidates appeared for the C.E.T., of which 253 students appeared for MBBS Course, 290 students appeared for BE Course and the rest for both the courses. The total expenditure incurred on this Programme was Rs. 60, 000 (Rupees sixty thousand) only.

NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION-2008

The State Level Talent Search Examination is held in the month of November every year. The meritorious students from schools are allowed to sit for the Test. The top 25 students from the merit list, from class VIII are selected for National Level Talent Search Examination which is held in the month of May. The successful candidates at the national level are awarded scholarships up to Ph.D. level depending upon academic excellence.

Last year, i.e., in 2008, a total of 252 students appeared for this examination, out of which 25 students were selected for the National Level Talent Search Examination. The expenditure incurred for the conduct of State Level NTS was Rs 21,997.

The National-Means-cum-Merit-Scholarship Examination was also conducted along with NTS. A total of 58 students were selected from the four districts this year, 27 from East, 13 from West, 4 from North and 14 from South district. The selected students are asked to open a joint account with one of their guardians in the State Bank of India. The amount is credited in their account through core banking system directly from SBI KOLKATA, A.G.M. PBU-II.

ANNUAL AND SJHS BOARD EXAMINATION-2008

In November –December the class IV to IX examinations including the class VIII Junior High School Board Examinations are held annually. In order to improve the general standard of education by introducing uniformity in the evaluation system and for ensuring the coverage of the entire syllabus, the Department had undertaken the task of setting up of common question papers for classes IV to IX from the academic sessions 2003-2004. But this year i.e. 2009 onwards, the government has decided to give more responsibility to the Complex Organisers, Heads of Schools and teachers by decentralizing the process of examination system, except for classes V and VIII. This is informed to all the four districts and schools vide notification no. 293/DIR/HRDD/SE dated 27/7/09. The total number of candidates who appeared for SJHS Examination in 2008-09 was 8269, of which 5720 candidates passed giving the pass percentage of 69.17%. Expenditure incurred for the conduct of this examination is Rs 6.50 lakhs (excluding the cost of printing the question paper).

MERIT/PRERNA SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION

In February 2009, the merit scholarship examination was held in 9 sub-divisions of the state for awarding merit scholarship at the elementary stage. A total of 54 students are selected every year for the award of general merit and Prerna Scholarship. Six students, three on merit and three from amongst the girls, are nominated from each sub-division for the award of scholarships. This year about 484 students appeared for the said examination. The expenditure involved was Rs 55,350/- (Rupees fifty five thousand three hundred and fifty) only.

REGISTRATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS/TUTORIALS:

The registration of private schools and tutorials is done as per the terms and conditions laid down in Sikkim Education Rules 2008. So far 35 private schools and 02 tutorial institutions have been registered. Notice has been issued to all the private institutions through Press Release to apply immediately for registration.

SELECTION OF TWO BRIGHT GIRLS FOR ADMISSION TO HIMJYOTI SCHOOL DEHRADUN.

As desired by His Excellency the Governor of Sikkim, two bright girls are selected from disadvantaged families whose income do not exceed Rs. 6000/- per month for

admission to class V at the Him Jyoti School, Dehradun. This scheme started last year i.e. 2008.

VII. DISTRICT INSITUTE OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The District Institute of Education & Training has taken up the following activities during 2008-09.

1. Organized regular pre-service training classes.
2. In-service Teacher's training.
3. Achievement Survey in 16 schools by faculty.
4. Training of key resource persons at BRC level conducted.
5. Organized training for curriculum Development to the faculty.

VIII.STATE INSTITTUE OF EDUCATION & TRAINING (SIERT)

In line of above the State Institute of Education and Training Institute conducted workshops in various schools of the district for realizing the teaching faculties regarding value base teaching in the schools. The workshops emphasizes the quality in teaching Mathematics, English Languages and Social Science as per the technique and guidance framed by CBSE & NCERT.

IX.SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN (SSA)

The project is especially meant for universalisation of Elementary Education as enshrined in the Article 45 of the Constitution of India. This project was initiated in the State during 2001 and would end during 2010. Different activities were taken up after the initiation of this department during 2008-09.

1. 20 days training programme of teachers wherein 1107 teachers were trained at BRC level which has covered 92.2% of untrained teachers.
2. 60 days training for 441 in-service Primary teachers which covered 68.8%.
3. 4 days training for Accounts personnel to make them aware about the accounting part of SSA programme.
4. 3922 School Managing Committees were trained during 2008-09.

5. Action research study on teachers absenteeism have been completed by SIE in collaboration with State Project Office.
6. 3343 Poor performing students were benefitted under remedial teaching.
7. Fourth Joint General Body and Executive Committee meeting was held on 5th November, 2008. The meeting was chaired by HCM cum President of General Body, State Mission Authority SSA, Sikkim.
8. 11 Education Guarantee Scheme were upgraded to Primary School (08 in South and 03 in West District).
9. 01 Primary School was upgraded to upper primary (Junior High School) in South District.

The overall achievement during 2008-09 was 81.95%.

X.VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The Vocational Education has been introduced in the 40 Senior Secondary Schools for imparting vocational education for the students of Classes XI & XII. There are 10 courses under this scheme. There are altogether 1242 students at +2level in 40 Govt. Sr. Sec. Schools. An amount of Rs.292.64 lacs has been spent for the said schemes introduced in the 40 senior secondary schools. The 8 courses introduced in schools as under:-

1. Horticulture
2. Hotel Management & Catering Technology
3. I.T. Application
4. Travel & Tourism Management
5. Dairying
6. Automobile Technology
7. Poultry Farming
8. Office Secretaryship

XI.TEXTBOOK SECTION

State Government has introduced some beneficiary schemes for enhancing enrolment at the elementary stage so as to fulfill the national commitment of Universalisation of Elementary Education (UEE). Accordingly, following beneficiaries items are provided free of cost to the students of Government Schools:

1. **UNIFORMS - (Pant, Shirt, Skirts, Tunic & Baku Set):**

It is an annual scheme. Free distribution of uniform to the students of all Government Schools from Pre to Class V and also to the students of notified Government Schools located at remote areas up to Class VIII.

2. **PULLOVERS - (Raincoat & School Bag):**

It is a biennial scheme. Every alternate year raincoats and school bags are distributed free of cost to the students of all Government Schools from Pre to Class V and also to the students upto Class VIII to those notified Government Schools which are located at remote areas.

3. **EXERCISE BOOKS:**

Exercise books are also distributed free of cost to the students from Pre to Class V of all Government Schools and also up to Class VIII of notified schools located at remote area.

Scale of Distribution:

Class	Exercise Book Size (No. of pages)	No. of Copies
Pre-Primary	06 (120 pages)	04 each
I & II	06 (120 pages)	06 each
III to VIII	06 (120 pages)	08 each

4. **TEXTBOOKS:**

Free textbooks are distributed to the students of Pre to Class V of all the Government Schools and also upto Class VIII of notified Government Schools located at remote area, and from Class VI onwards up to Class XII at 50% concessional rate. Value Education Textbook are distributed from Class V to VIII free of cost to the students of all Government Schools.

5. **SHOES & SOCKS:**

One pair of shoes and two pairs of socks are distributed free of cost to the students from Pre to Class V of all the Government Schools and Classes VI to VIII of notified Government Schools located at remote area from academic session-2008.

XII. ESTABLISHMENT SECTION -I

Details of appointment made during the financial year 2008-09 are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Pay scale	No. of Post	Remark
1.	Graduate Teacher(Arts)	5500-175-9000	49	Fresh regular appointment
2.	Graduate Teacher(Bio)	-do-	13	-do-
3.	Graduate Teacher(Math's)	-do-	08	-do-
4.	Primary Teacher(General)	4200-110-6400	48	-do-
5.	Primary Teacher(General)	-do-	11	Through Compassionate appointment
6.	Peon	2850-55-4170	14	-do-
7.	Safaikarmachari	-do-	04	-do-
8.	Cook	-o-	03	-do-
9.	Chowkidar	-do-	02	-do-
10.	Lab. Attendant	-do-	03	-do-
11.	Graduate Teacher(Arts)	-do-	100	On adhoc basis for academic session 2009 since Feb.2009
12.	Graduate Teacher (Bio)	-do-	22	-do-
13.	Graduate Teacher(Math's)	-do-	87	-do-
14.	Primary Teacher	Rs.6000 per month consolidated	33	-do-

XIII.MID-DAY MEAL SCHEME

Mid-Day Meal scheme was launched in the country on 15th August 1995 for Nutritional Support to Primary Education. Earlier, till 2002 raw rice were distributed to school going children @ 3kg per child per month (100 gm per child per day).

IMPLEMENTATION OF COOKED MID-DAY MEAL IN SIKKIM.

As per the direction of the honorable Supreme Court of India it became binding on the part of the Govts in the country to provide cooked Mid-Day Meal to the school going children of Govt. Schools upto primary level. As a follow up measure the state government of Sikkim launched the scheme w.e.f. 1st Oct. 2002. Subsequently the scheme was extended to EGS Centers established under SSA, Monastic Schools & Sanskrit Pathshalas. Further, the scheme has been extended upto Upper Primary stage from the academic session 2008.

FOOD MENU:

Keeping in view the local context the heads of schools have been given freedom to decide the menu of the cooked Mid-Day Meal and in most of the cases items served are Khichdi, atleast twice a month, rice, dal and green organic vegetables available in village.

Till June 2007 Mid-Day Meal was served four days a week, but after July 2007 it is served on all working days as per approved School Calendar. Hence, School Calendar is followed for providing cooked mid-day meal every year.

CENTRAL ASSISTANCE.

Cooking cost for mid-day meal per child per day is Rs.1.89/- for primary and Rs.2.415/child/day for upper primary children. The Govt. of India provided Rs.217.86 lakh (Primary) and Rs.138.58 lakh (Upper Pry) totalling Rs. 356.44 lakh as Central Share and the State Govt. contributed Rs.175.92 lakh as state share for primary & upper primary during 2008-09.

Food Grains : Rice is provided at the rate of 0.0001 MT/per child per working day and 0.0015 MT/per child/day for upper primary children by Govt. of India, New Delhi. Which come to 100 gms. For Primary and 150 gms. for Upper Primary children

Allocation of food grains during 2008-09

The MHRD, Govt. of India provided foodgrains of
1149.49 MT for Primary

860.79 MT for Upper Primary:

Transport Subsidy : Reimbursement of transportation charges in the form of Grants-in-Aid for carriage of foodgrains from FCI Godown to each and every school at the rate of Rs.125/- per quintal for both primary and upper primary level is provided by MHRD, Govt. of India. A sum of Rs. 30.83 lakh was released by MHRD, Govt. of India during 2008-09 and reimbursement is under process. Reimbursement is made on the basis of the bills submitted by the schools through the Joint Directors of the respective districts. Districts have their arrangement with transporter for uninterrupted supply chain of food grains from Food Corporation of India's Godown, Rangpo for North and East district and Jorethang for South and West district..

Kitchen Sheds :

518 schools against 555 have been covered during 2007-08.-The balance amount is lying with the state government. MHRD, Govt. of India released Rs.333.00 lakh for the construction of kitchen sheds to 555 schools @ Rs. 60,000/- per school during 2007-08 and the state provide Rs. 145.00 lakh @ Rs.28000/- per school as state share. Again Rs.35.40 lakh has been sanctioned for 2008-09 for the construction of 59 kitchen cum store under Mid-Day Meal, which will commence during the 2009-10.

Kitchen Device :

MHRD, Govt. of India released Rs.16.80 Lakh for procurement of Kitchen Devices_during the fag end of 2007-08 against which 336 no. of upper primary schools are supplied with utensils.

MME(Management, Monitoring & Evaluation) :

Govt. of India Sanctioned Rs.8.86 lakh during 2008-09 and expenditure pertaining to External Monitoring, visits by the officials of

MHRD, Govt. of India, Stationery, Officer Equipment etc. are meet from this component.

INVOLVEMENT OF PARENTS IN MID-DAY MEAL PROGRAMME.

Parents are supposed to be involved in supervision of the ongoing mid-day meal scheme. The meal is being checked and tasted by the teachers, SMC members, Panchayats and officials from the Human Resource Development Department.

PROBLEMS

In Sikkim Pre-Primary classes are invariably an integral part of school education system. whereas Govt. of India as per its Guidelines states that children studying in pre-primary are not covered under the MDM Scheme as they are covered under Integrated Child Development Services [ICDS] Scheme. Therefore children of pre-primary deserve Mid-Day Meal, it is unethical to deny them the meal.

XIV.PROGRAMME , MONITORING AND EVALUATION SECTION

(PME)

Planning Monitoring & Evaluation Section under the department headed by Joint Director is actively involved in compiling all datas relevant to different programmes of the department annihilation thereof.

XV.DIRECTORATE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

The Directorate of Technical Education has been functioning in the Human Resource Development Department ever since 1998 and there has been considerable activity in this area. The importance of modern technology and the advent of the computer age have resulted in the urgent need to equip our students with adequate knowledge and exposure in these areas. The industrial growth in the State will to a large extent depend on the existence

of a base of skilled technicians. The State Govt has taken the initiative to meet these challenges and this is reflected in high priority it has accorded to and its policy statements on Industry and Information Technology and Education.

The Directorate of Technical Education (DTE) is administratively charged with dealing with matters relating to technical education. The Directorate of Technical Education deals with matters relating to private universities including the two constituent colleges set up by the Sikkim Manipal University, namely, Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology (SMIT) at Majhitar and the Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences (SMIMS) at Tadong. The DTE was entrusted with the task of overseeing the implementation of the prestigious World Bank assisted Third Technician Education Project for the establishment of two Polytechnic Institutes in the State, which concluded in the month of June 2007. The Directorate is also entrusted with the work of imparting computer education in schools in the State.

- 1. The Sikkim Manipal University :** As per the Agreement with the Sikkim Manipal University 20% of the seats in all courses offered in its constituent Colleges are reserved for the nominees of the State Government on concessional basis. Accordingly, the HRD Department has been sending nominations for the allotment of the State quota seats at the Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology (SMIT) at Majhitar and the Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences (SMIMS) at Tadong after conducting Common Entrance Test.

- 2. Two Polytechnics established under World Bank funded Third Technician Education Project:**
 - (a) The World Bank has provided credit to the Government of India for the Project known as the Third Technician Project for establishment of polytechnics in seven States and one Union Territory namely Sikkim, Jammu & Kashmir, Nagaland, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura and in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The Project period was from January 2001 to June 2007.

Under this Project, the total financial assistance of Rs.59.58 crores was provided for Sikkim. State of Sikkim has been provided funds in the form of 90% grant and 10% loan by the Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource

Development. Under this Project, in the State of Sikkim, two polytechnics have been established. The World Bank funding covered all activities over the project period such as construction of building infrastructure, salaries of all faculty and support staff, purchase of furniture, equipment, books and learning resources, vehicles, consumables operation and maintenance costs. In addition there is a provision for the training of faculty members which will make them highly trained by the end of the Project.

The two Polytechnics established under the Project are (1)Advanced Technical Training Centre (ATTC) located at Bardang, East Sikkim and (2) Centre for Computers and Communication Technology (CCCT) at Chisopani in South Sikkim.

The two polytechnics, offer a total of 10 diploma courses approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) as follows :-

ATTC:

1. Manufacturing Technology
2. Tool & Die Making
3. Mechatronics
4. Computer Application
5. Mechanical Engineering

CCCT:

1. Electronics & Hardware Maintenance
2. Computer Science & Technology
3. Telecommunication Technology
4. Computer Application
5. Electrical and Electronics Engineering

There are a total of 294 students in ATTC Polytechnic at Bardang and 287 students in CCCT at Chisopani.

The polytechnics have maintained a 100 percent placement record. All pass-outs have been absorbed in Industries located all over the country and a few have even been placed abroad.

The reputation of any Institute of learning depends primarily on the quality of education it imparts. In the field of Academics the polytechnics have also entered into a tie-up with a renowned and highly professional outfit operating out of Bangalore, i.e. Nettur

Technical Training Foundation (NTTF). Under the World Bank Project NTTF was appointed as Academics Consultants and they rendered all services pertaining to the preparation of the curriculum for all 10 courses and also trained the faculty. The Certificates issued by the polytechnics are being jointly certified by the NTTF and thus the Certificates will be highly valued. NTTF has also been ensuring the placement of all pass outs. In this manner all the diploma holders are assured of a job. Staff have been taken on deputation from NTTF and the Principal is one of their more experienced personnel. The Institutes have a dedicated core group of lecturers. The two Polytechnics have already obtained ISO Certification in May 2007.

The State government has recently accorded approval for entering into long term agreement with NTTF for tie up during the next 5 years i.e., 2008-09 to 2012-13.

3. Computer Education Plan for the State of Sikkim.

ICT Scheme under MHRD

The computer education programme in schools was launched in 2002 under a scheme of the Government of India and a total of 29 senior secondary school in Sikkim were covered from 2002-05. Thereafter, the Government of India launched the revised scheme called the ICT@school scheme under which approval was accorded for coverage of 103 senior secondary and secondary schools. An amount of Rs.621.09 lakhs was sanctioned by Government of India and advance of Rs.270 lakhs was released during 2005-06. Subsequently, MHRD has sanctioned money for 2 more schools. Therefore, a total of 105 senior secondary and secondary schools are to be covered which in effect means all senior secondary and secondary schools will be covered under this scheme. However due to lack of State share the programme could not be taken up during 2006 and 2007. The State Government has now provided the requisite State share. The scheme is to be implemented on turn-key basis through private contractor. The work was tendered in December 2007. The bids were opened on 2nd January 2008 and the Department had drawn up plans to have the programme launched from the new academic session for 2008. However, the Government has ordered re-tendering. Accordingly, the work has been retendered in May 2008 and Supply Order has been issued to the lowest bidder M/s. Computel Systems & Services in September 2008 and the scheme at present is under progress .

4. Private Universities : Apart from the Sikkim Manipal University, there are two other private Universities that have been established in the State through State Legislation.

- (a) The ICFAI University, Sikkim: This University was established under The Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts of India

University, Sikkim Act, 2004 (Act No. 9 of 2004) which came into force on the 1st day of December, 2004.

The Governor of Sikkim is the Visitor of the University. The Board of Governors and the Board of Management have been constituted and have already held a couple of meetings. The Secretary, HRDD is a nominee on the BOG and the Director, Technical Education is a nominee on the BOM. The Rules and Statutes of the University have been approved by the State Govt. and notified by the ICFAI University, Sikkim. A Vice-Chancellor has been appointed.

The University is functioning from hired premises at Development Area, Gangtok. It has already taken some land on long-term lease and is in the process of construction of infrastructure.

- (b) **The EIILM University, Sikkim:** This University was established under The Eastern Institute for Integrated Learning in Management University, Sikkim Act, 2006, which came into force on the 26th day of May 2006.

The Governor of Sikkim is the Visitor of the University. The Board of Governors and the Board of Management have been constituted and have already held a couple of meetings. The Special Secretary, HRDD is a nominee on the BOG and the Director, Technical Education is a nominee on the BOM.

The University is functioning from rented premises at Jorethang, South Sikkim. It has taken some land at Budang in West Sikkim on long-term lease and is in the process of constructing infrastructure.

- 5. Central University:** The demand of the State Government for the establishment of the Central University in Sikkim has borne fruit. The Sikkim University Bill, 2006 aiming at the establishment of a Central University in Sikkim has been passed by both the houses of Parliament and the Bills has been assented to by the President of India on 10th January 2007.

The appointment of Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of Central University, Sikkim has already been made. At present, the University has been functioning from erstwhile Youth Hostel in Sixth Mile, Tadong, East Sikkim temporarily.

The Central University, namely, Sikkim University will be established at Yangang, South Sikkim for which land has already been identified. Acquisition proceedings for acquiring a total of 300 acres land is already underway. The State Government is required to bear 50% of the cost of the land. The remaining funds towards the cost of the land will be provided by Central Government. An advance of Rs.7.50 crores has already been released by the Government of India and handed over the Land Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

6. **Women's Polytechnic** : In 2004 -05 MHRD wrote to the State Government that it is considering setting up new polytechnics with Central assistance under National Common Minimum Programme (NCMP) in Special Focus Districts (245 districts) where no polytechnic level institute exists. In Sikkim there are no polytechnics in West and North districts. In 2005, MHRD proposed to take up one polytechnic in Sikkim and accordingly in February 2005 the State Government conveyed to MHRD that one new polytechnic may be established in the West district of Sikkim. It appears that the scheme has once again been reactivated in the MHRD. On 7th November 2006, Director (T), MHRD enclosed a list of 65 districts in the country which do not have polytechnic level institutes and requested the State Government to send in principle approval for establishment of polytechnic in the identified districts within the State. In the list of 65, only the West district was covered in Sikkim. MHRD was immediately informed vide our letter dated 29th January 2007 that the North district of Sikkim also does not have a polytechnic and has not been included in the list of 65 districts drawn up by MHRD. The in principle approval for establishment of one new polytechnic in West Sikkim was once again conveyed. It was also requested that the establishment of a new polytechnic in the North district may also be considered in the second phase. Considering the above request MHRD has released a fund of Rs.2.00 crore and Rs.2.5 lakhs as first and second installment for setting up of a new polytechnic in the North District during 2008-09. In total a sum of Rs.12.3 crore would be released by MHRD as capital expenditure for setting up of the same. Now the State Government has to find a suitable land measuring 5 acres (as per AICTE norms) for the purpose and also to make available a fund of Rs.50.00 lakhs as cost of land (@ of Rs.10.00 lakhs per acre) which is to be made available by the State Government free of cost.
7. **Grants-In-Aid** : The Directorate of Technical Education is also providing Grants-in-Aid to two existing polytechnics in Sikkim at the rate of 1 (one) crore each. This aid is given to these institutes for their sustenance period upto 2012.

XVI.**STATEMENT SHOWING BUDGET ESTIMATE, REVISED ESTIMATE AND EXPENDITURE INCURRED UNDER PLAN DURING 2008-09***(Rs. in lacs)*

SL.NO.	Name of Schemes/Programme	Annual Plan 2008-09		
		Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure
1	2	3	4	5
1	GENERAL EDUCATION (REVENUE)			
A	Elementary Education			
1	Equipment for Primary School/Junior High School	10.00	00.00	00.00
2	Govt. Primary Schools	884.20	882.50	883.03
3	Assistance to Non-Govt. Primary School/Junior High School	05.40	05.00	05.00
4	Teachers & Other Services	00.24	00.24	00.46
5	Non-formal Education	00.01	00.01	00.00
6	Teachers Training	238.44	89.19	72.47
7	Textbooks	260.00	260.00	259.65
8	Grant-in-aid to Panchayati Raj Institutions	2402.61	2829.62	2833.69
9	Sikkim Board of School Education	72.00	80.45	80.38
10	Mid-Day Meal Programme	160.00	189.33	189.95
11	Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan	250.00	190.51	190.51
	TOTAL ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	4282.90	4526.85	4515.14
B	Secondary Education			
1	Direction & Administration	259.30	278.93	314.37
2	Equipments for Sec. School/Sr. Sec. Schools	61.00	35.00	35.00
3	Teachers & Other Service	2843.91	3235.43	3219.74
4	Textbooks	240.00	240.00	236.05
5	Merit Scholarships & closing down of schools	27.50	12.49	12.59
6	Govt. Secondary Schools	930.68	260.08	271.23
7	Assistance to Non-Govt. Sec. Schools	118.85	76.17	76.16
8	Vocational Education	314.00	456.60	456.60
9	Educational Technology Programme	02.00	00.00	00.00
10	Computer literacy in schools	207.00	189.78	189.78
	TOTAL SECONDARY EDUCATION	5004.00	4784.48	4811.52
C.	University & Higher Education			
1.	Govt. Degree College, Gangtok	230.35	235.23	234.90
2.	Govt. Degree College, Namchi	139.70	123.09	119.23
3.	Sikkim Law College	40.20	27.20	26.76
4.	Sheda College	78.00	74.24	74.26
5.	Sanskrit Mahaviyalaya, Gyalshing	22.10	21.38	21.27
6.	Govt. Degree College, Rhenock	63.00	51.50	51.61
	TOTAL	573.35	532.64	528.03
D	Adult Education			
1.	State Adult Education Programme	20.00	0.00	0.00
E	Language Development			
1.	Grant-in-aid for Development of Modern Languages	19.00	5.50	5.50
2.	Grant-in-aid to Sanskrit Pathshalas	3.00	2.90	2.90

SL.NO.	Name of Schemes/Programme	Annual Plan 2008-09		
		Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure
1	2	3	4	5
F	Direction & Administration			
1.	Establishment(HQ)	323.25	370.14	371.53
G	Scholarships			
1.	Scholarship/Stipend	120.00	120.00	120.10
	TOTAL General Education(Revenue)	10345.74	10342.50	10354.75
II	General Education Capital			
A	Elementary Education			
1.	NABARD	750.00	566.38	565.95
2.	State Share of NABARD	83.25	52.22	52.23
3.	DIET Building	-	104.00	104.00
4.	Primary Schools	-	30.00	29.86
5.	Science College, Soreng	-	75.00	75.00
	TOTAL:Elementary Education	833.25	827.60	827.04
B	Secondary Education			
1	High & Higher Secondary Schools	00.00	64.00	63.99
C	University & Higher Education			
1	Namchi College		00.00	00.00
2	Sanskrit Mahavidhalaya		00.00	00.00
3	Construction of Colleges in other places (West)	100.00	100.00	98.69
4	Sikkim University	00.01	00.01	00.00
	TOTAL	100.01	100.01	98.69
	TOTAL CAPITAL	933.26	991.61	989.72
	TOTAL REVENUE & CAPITAL	11279.00	11334.11	11344.44
	Funded under TSP/SCP of SJE &WD	850.00	850.00	850.00
	Total	12129.00	12184.11	12194.44
III	Technical Education			
1	Direction & Administration (Revenue)	251.80	251.80	251.70
2	Polytechnic (Capital)	42.20	08.40	08.40
	TOTAL TECHNICAL EDUCATION	293.00	260.20	260.10
	GRANT TOTAL : General & Technical Education	12422.00	12444.31	12454.54

XVII.**STATEMENT SHOWING BUDGET ESTIMATE, REVISED ESTIMATE AND EXPENDITURE INCURRED UNDER CSS, NLCPR & NEC DURING 2008-09**

(Rs. in lacs)

SL. NO.	Name of Schemes/Programme	Annual Plan 2008-09		
		Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure
1	2	3	4	5
	GENERAL EDUCATION			
A	CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME			
1	One time grant for school furniture	00.01	00.01	00.00
2	Setting -up of DIET, Gangtok	63.50	63.50	60.42
3	Setting of DIET, West	44.00	00.00	00.00
4	School Lunch/MDM	300.00	356.43	356.74
5	Central Vocational Education	01.00	00.00	00.00
6	Computer Literacy in Schools	300.00	45.10	45.10
7	Education through Satellite	00.10	00.00	00.00
8	Modernization of Madarsa	00.22	00.22	00.22
9	Development of Sanskrit Education	42.01	00.00	00.00
10	Assistance of Sanskrit Pathshalas	00.01	00.01	00.00
11	Hindi Scholarship 100% CSS	00.00	00.00	00.00
B	TECHNICAL EDUCATION			
1	Establishment of Women's Polytechnic	01.00	00.00	00.00
	TOTAL	751.84	465.27	462.48

B	NLCPR			
I.	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION			
1	East District	250.00	96.42	96.43
2	West District	200.00	104.79	104.79
3	North District	100.00	18.89	18.89
4	South District	150.00	74.99	74.54
	TOTAL	700.00	295.09	294.65
II.	Secondary Education			
1	East District	00.00	91.92	91.92
2	West District	00.00	45.55	45.55
3	North District	00.00	00.00	00.00
4	South District	00.00	90.00	90.00
	TOTAL	00.00	227.47	227.47
	GRAND TOTAL	700.00	522.56	522.57
D	NEC			
1	School Furniture	00.01	00.01	00.00
2	Financial Support to students of North Eastern Region	00.01	20.23	20.23
3	Science College, Soreng	00.01	00.01	00.00
4	E- Education	00.00	00.00	00.00
5	Construction of School Buildings (West) NEC	00.00	00.00	00.00
	TOTAL	00.03	20.25	20.23

XVIII.
STATEMENT SHOWING BUDGET ESTIMATE, REVISED ESTIMATE
AND EXPENDITURE INCURRED UNDER NON-PLAN DURING 2008-
09

(Rs. in lacs)

SL.NO.	SCHEME/PROGRAMME	BUDGET ESTIMATE	REVISED ESTIMATE	EXPENDITURE
	GENERAL EDUCATION			
A	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION			
1.	Teacher's & Other Services	0.12	0.12	0.00
2.	Teachers Training Institute	54.45	54.45	8.70
3.	State Institute of Education	25.92	25.69	25.72
4.	Grant-in-aid to Panchayati Raj Institution	7130.14	7833.74	7830.71
	TOTAL:ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	7210.63	7914.00	7865.13
B	SECONDARY EDUCATION			
1.	Direction & Administration	369.31	408.03	400.11
2.	Teachers & Other Services	6211.39	6987.19	7008.55
	TOTAL SECONDARY EDUCATION	6580.70	7395.22	7408.66
C	HIGHER EDUCATION			
1.	Govt. Degree College, Tadong	125.93	125.93	126.14
2.	Sikkim Law College	38.41	38.25	37.23
	TOTAL	164.34	164.18	163.37
D	DIRECTION & ADMINISTRATION			
1.	Establishment(HQ)	249.48	254.68	254.34
	TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION	14205.15	15728.08	15691.50
E	Maintenance of School Building	465.00	623.15	62110.00
	GRAND TOTAL	14670.15	16351.23	16312.60