

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STATE LEVEL COORDINATION COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ON THE PROPOSED NEW EDUCATION POLICY CHAIRED BY HON'BLE MINISTER (EDUCATION and CAF & PD) ON 4th APRIL, 2015 AT HIS OFFICE CHAMBERS AT 4 PM.

List of Participants: Enclosed as Annexure.

At the outset Hon'ble Minister (Education and CAF & PD) welcomed the Officers and members present. Thereafter the following issues were discussed :

1. Commissioner (Hr. & Tech. Edn) read out a letter from Hon'ble Minister HRD, Govt. of India addressed to Chief Minister of Manipur highlighting the steps to be taken by the concerned States on the New Education Policy and also informed that a National Consultative Meeting with all State Education Ministers and Secretaries was chaired by Union HRD Minister on the New Education Policy at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi on the 21st of March 2015.
2. Commissioner (Hr. & Tech. Edn) briefed the members present regarding the proposed New Education Policy and its broad themes consisting of 20 points on Higher Education and 13 points on School Education. He also highlighted that these themes were only indicative and not exhaustive and that relevant themes may be added or deleted as per the requirement of the State. Further, he discussed on the proposal being mooted by the State Govt. of Manipur to have a separate chapter in the policy for the North East region of the country due to its uniqueness, peculiar difficulties and advantages.
3. The meeting decided to explore the possibility of having a separate chapter in the proposed National Education Policy for the North East Region through consultation with the 8 (eight) NE States of Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura and Sikkim. The meeting suggested that Manipur can even consider hosting a Consultative Meeting with all State Education Ministers and Secretaries of the NE States at Imphal and invite Union HRD Minister sometime in April-May, 2015.
4. It was also decided that Nodal Officers for the Higher Education and School Education be appointed and their details intimated to the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India as required in the National Consultative Meeting with all State Education Ministers and Secretaries was chaired by Union HRD Minister on the New Education Policy at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi on the 21st of March 2015. Both the Director/Univ & Hr Edn and Director/Edn(S) shall be nominated as the Nodal Officers for the Higher Education and School Education respectively for the State. Formal intimations may be communicated by the AD of the two Govt. Depts. Immediately.
5. It was decided that a Committee of Directors of all the Education Depts be constituted consisting of Director Education (U), Director Education (S), Director SCERT, Controller of Technical Education, Addl. Director (Adult Edn), Director/Language Development, Chairman/Secretary of BoSEM, CoHSEM, nominee of the VCs of MU, CAU, IGNTU, nominee of Director/NIT-Manipur, etc. to be chaired by Director (Univ & Hr Edn) to coordinate on issues related to New Education Policy and bring out a DRAFT POLICY DOCUMENT with specific reference to Manipur State for submission for inclusion in the proposed New Education Policy after finalisation of the same by a similar State Level Coordination Committee on Education. The DRAFT may be prepared and circulated to all Depts. by the end of April, 2015 so as to enable proper analysis, assessment and consideration of all the important issues. The said Committee of Directors may co-opt any additional Members or invite suggestions, opinions, inputs, feedbacks, or have discussions, consultations, deliberations, etc. as it may deem necessary.
6. Further, It was decided that comments and opinion from educationists, academicians, teachers, students, parents, civil societies / NGO's / Teachers & Students Associations, Govt./Aided/Private Institutions, etc. will be welcomed and their comments / opinions / suggestions / inputs, etc. may be sent by email to the below mentioned email addresses on or before 30th April, 2015 :

7. It was also decided that the Deputy Commissioners (DC's) of all the 9(nine) Districts in Manipur will play a very crucial role in keeping the timelines of the formulation of the Policy proposals and coordination at their respective District levels. Also materials received from the Ministry may be sent to all the DC's and their comments / opinions / suggestions / inputs, etc. sought in a time bound manner.
8. Further, deliberation also took place on the requirement of formation of a State Advisory Board of Education (SABE) in the line of the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) to be a policy making body with members consisting of administrators/Educationists/Subject expert etc. It may be highlighted herein that the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) is the highest advisory body on Education in the country and the proposed State Advisory Board of Education (SABE) can be envisaged to play similar important role for the State of Manipur. The Committee of Directors may also examine this proposal and submit its recommendation to the State Govt. for further necessary action.
9. The meeting further discussed issues pertaining to the State Level Authority on Curriculum already given to SCERT Dept. as required by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India and decided that the SCERT Dept. may be strengthened to enable it to perform this important role effectively from the current year.
10. The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

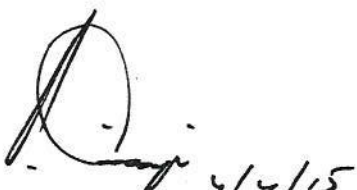
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(M. Okendro)
Minister (Education), Manipur.

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Imphal, the 4th April, 2015.

Copy to :-

1. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Manipur.
2. The PPS to the Hon'ble Minister (Education), Manipur.
3. The SO to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur.
4. The APS to the Commissioner (Hr. & Tech. Edn. & SCERT), Govt. of Manipur.
5. The APS to the Commissioner (Adult Edn.), Govt. of Manipur.
6. The Secretary (Edn/S), Govt. of Manipur.
7. The Vice Chancellor, Manipur University, Canchipur, Imphal.
8. The Vice Chancellor, Central Agriculture University, Iroisemba, Imphal.
9. The Vice Chancellor, IGNTU, Amarkantak (IGNTU_RCM), Imphal.
10. The Director, (Univ. & Hr. Edn.), Govt of Manipur
11. The Director, (SCERT), Govt of Manipur
12. The Director, (Edn/S), Govt of Manipur.
13. The Director, (Language Devpt), Govt of Manipur.
14. The Addl. Director, (Adult Edn), Govt of Manipur.
15. The Controller of Technical Education, Govt of Manipur.
16. The Chairman/Secretary of BoSEM, CoHSEM, Imphal.
17. The Addl./Jt./Dy/Under Secretaries of Hr & Tech Edn./Edn(S)/SCERT/AE, etc, Secretariat, Govt of Manipur.
18. All Officers of the Dte of Univ & Hr Edn/Edn(S)/Tech Edn/SCERT/AE/Language/, Govt. of Manipur.
19. The Director/IPR, Govt. of Manipur – for causing wide publicity through local media as news item,
20. All Concerned officers/Stakeholders.
21. All concerned files.


(P. Vaiphei)
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SCERT) and Link Secretary (Edn/S),
Govt. of Manipur

