

# Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act Social Audit Society Kerala (MGNSASK)

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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, Social Audit Society Kerala (MGNSASK)

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022 at 12.00 PM in the Government Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram

Venue: Chamber of Shri. Pranabjyothinath IAS, Chairman, MGNSASK, Kerala and Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Kerala

#### **Present:**

- 1. Shri. Pranabjyothinath IAS, Chairman, Kerala Social Audit Society
- 2. Dr. N.Ramakantan, Director, SAU Kerala
- 3. Shri. S.Rajendran, Member
- 4. Smt. Deepa.S, Joint Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Kerala
- 5. Sri. A Saheer, Joint Director, Kerala State Audit Department
- 6. Smt. Salamma Basaliose, Join Director, Kerala State Audit Department

#### Agenda:

- 1. Approval of the Rank List of Village Resource Persons (VRPs)
- 2. Re-designing the Website of Kerala Social Audit Unit
- 3. Conduct of Training of Trainers Programme(ToT)
- 4. Approval of Social Audit of other Flagship Development Programmes
- 5. Any Other Items Permitted by the Chairman

#### **Deliberations and Decisions**

### 1. Approval of the Rank List of Village Resource Persons (VRPs)

The rank list prepared by the SAU Kerala for filling up of vacancies of the VRPs in 90 Block Panchayats is approved. The meeting has decided to appoint the VRPs in the existing vacancies in various blocks based on the number of GPs, the volume of MGNREGA works and the geographical conditions of the GPs in each Block Panchayat. The total number of VRPs should not be exceeded to more than double to the number of GPs in a block.

The meeting has also decided to issue their appointment order after successful completion of the four days training of the VRPs stipulated by the MoRD, Government of India. The SAU has to take steps for conducting four days residential training programme for the newly recruited VRPs at the regional/ district level during the month of Sptember 2022.

### 2. Re-designing the Website of Kerala Social Audit Unit

The meeting has approved the proposal of re-designing the present website of the Social Audit Society Kerala and entrusted the Director, SAU to invite expression of interest from not less than three start-up units for the same and assign the work.

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# 3. Conduct of Training of Trainers Programme(ToT)

The meeting has discussed the module prepared by SAU for conducting the ToT programme and approved the training schedule of the ToT to be held on 19-20 August at KILA.

### 4. Approval of Social Audit of other Flagship Development Programmes

The meeting has discussed the proposals for conducting social audits of various flagship development programmes of the Union and State Governments, such as National Food Security Act, Swatch Bharat Mission, Prime Minister's Awas Yojana-Grameen, National Social Assistance (NSAP), Ayyankali Urban Employment Gurantee Programme, etc. The meeting has approved these proposals and decided that separate MoUs will have to be signed with the implementing departments/ agencies with provision for getting 15 percent administrative expense for meeting the administrative expenses and for other institutional expenses of SAU Kerala.

#### 5. Other Items

# 5.1. Assessing Performance and Streamlining the Existing Village Resource Persons (VRPs)

The meeting entrusted the Director, SAU to assess the performance of existing VRPs in the RSA activities during the last six-seven months and their contribution in the social audit of MGNREGA. It is decided that those who have not been worked less than ten days on an average in a month in the social audit activities shall be removed after giving notice to them. Such vacancies are to be filled from the new rank list of VRPs prepared by the SAU.

### 5.2. Filling up of Vacancies of Block Resource Persons (BRPs)

The meeting has entrusted the Director SAU to take steps for filling up of the post of BRPs in all the existing vacancies from the list of applications short-listed for the same. It is also decided that the unit of appointment of BRPs is the district and therefore, the SAU will have to schedule the test/interviews at the district level.

#### 5.3. Certification Programme on Social Accountability and Social Audit

The meeting has decided to design and implement a Certification Programme on Social Accountability and Social Audit in association with the Sree Narayana Open University, Kollam. The meeting has also entrusted the Director SAU to discuss the matter with the Vice-Chancellor, Sree Narayana Open University, Kollam and explore the possibilities of conducting a certification provolin programme 🎝

# 5.4. Assessment of the Social and Economic Impact of Tribal Plus Programme in Selected Districts of Kerala

The Executive Committee meeting has discussed and resolved that, the SAU Kerala will have to undertake a rapid assessment of the social and economic impact of the Tribal Plus Programme for generating additional employment opportunities, innovated by Government of Kerala for the betterment of the living conditions and for reducing absolute poverty among the trials in the state. This impact assessment of the implementation of Tribal Plus programme will have to specifically focus on Wynad, Palakkad and Idukki districts.

The meeting ended at 1.30 P.M.

Dr.N. Ramakantan

Director

SAU Kerala

Sri. Pranabjyothi Nath IAS

Secretary, Water Resource Department,

Government Secretariat, GoK.