

Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission

Government of Maharashtra

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Sanction Order

Sub :- Setting up "Science and Innovation Activity Centre" at Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara.

- Ref:- 1) Proposal dated 11.08.2015, received from Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara.
2) RGSTC Project Appraisal Committee Meeting on 6th November, 2015.
3) MoU signed on 24.02.2016 between RGSTC, HBCSE and RSS.

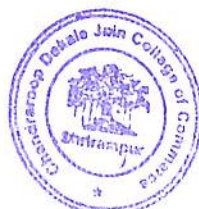
Creation of Scientific temper in the people is an important element of the National Science Policy. While the formal education system looks after the science education and curriculum improvements are routinely attempted at all levels, a need is recognized for non-formal and activity linked science education. Those who wish to learn more need to be provided facilities such as resource material and guidance. This would help in stimulating innovative skills and entrepreneurial talent.

2. To encourage these much needed complementary activities, Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission has launched a Scheme "Science and Innovation Activity Centres" for implementation at suitable educational institutions that are ready to take full responsibility of operating such centres on a long term and sustainable basis. These Centres would not only cater to the students of the host institutions but would also cater to the students of other schools in the adjacent region.

3. Based on the extensive interaction and the spadework done for the scheme, Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission has now signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara, for setting up of Science and Innovation Activity Centre at its Campus at Satara. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 2.50 crores, out of which Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission would provide 75% and the host institution would provide 25%. The host institution would also provide land and infrastructural facilities as specified in the scheme and also take the responsibility of operating the Centre on a long term and sustainable basis.

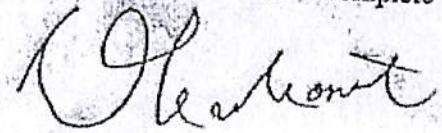
4. The project is to be implemented by the National Council for Science Museums NCSM, Kolkata, on a turnkey basis. A Memorandum of Understanding to this effect is signed between NCSM and Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, Mumbai.

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5. Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission is, therefore, pleased to sanction setting up of Science and Innovation Activity Centre at the campus of Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara as specified in the scheme and the MoU and release an amount of Rs. 93,75,000/- (Rs. Ninety Three Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Only) as the first instalment (which is 50% of RGSTC share of Rs.1,87,50,000/-) to National Council for Science Museums, Kolkata, for implementation of the project. Rayat Shikshan Sanstha shall also release, through RGSTC, its share of Rs. 31,25,000/- (Rs. Thirty One Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Only) (which is 50% institute share of Rs. 62,50,000/-) to NCSM, Kolkata, as the first instalment. The work plan should be finalised immediately to initiate implementation of the project. The amount of Rs. 93,75,000/- (Rs. Ninety Three Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Only) shall be transferred directly to NCSM Bank A/C with Indian Overseas Bank, Sector-V, Salt Lake, Kolkata. NCSM is requested to acknowledge receipt of the payment immediately.

6. The progress of implementation would be monitored by a Monitoring Committee to be constituted by the Commission. The Committee would be serviced by the National Council for Science Museums. A separate order to this effect would be issued shortly. The NCSM should provide periodic progress report and Utilization Certificate to enable the Commission to complete the reviewing process.



(V.P. Kulkarni)
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Copy forwarded with compliments for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) Director General, National Council for Science Museums, Sector-V, Block GN, Vidhan Nagar, Kolkata - 700 091.
- 2) Secretary, National Council for Science Museums, Sector-V, Block GN, Vidhan Nagar, Kolkata - 700 091.
- 3) Director, Nehru Science Centre, Dr. E-Moses Road, Worli, Mumbai - 400 018.
- 4) Secretary, Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Karmaveer Samadhi Parisar, Near Powai Naka, Satara - 415 001.
- 5) Director, Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, V. N. Purav Marg, Mankhurd, Mumbai - 400 088.
- 6) SAFO and DDO, RGSTC.
- 7) Select file, RGSTC.

Copy for information to:-

- 8) Chairman, RGSTC.
- 9) Principal Secretary (IT and S&T).



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