



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Abstract

Information Technology Department – Akshaya - Implementation of Pilot Project – Providing connectivity to Akshaya Centres and Government offices in the District under RICl – Administrative Sanction for implementing the Scheme accorded – Orders issued.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms) No: 33/2003/ITD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 03.10.2003.

Read: - 1. G.O. (Ms) No. 22/2002/ITD, dated, 21.11.2002.

2. Letter No. KSITM/D/Akshaya/132/03, dated 3rd September, 2003 from Director, Kerala State IT Mission.

3. G.O. (RT) No. 150/2003/ITD, dated 11.07.2003.

4. Minutes of the meeting of State Level Executive Committee of Akshaya which met on 20.08.03.

ORDER

As per Government Order read as first paper above administrative sanction was accorded for the implementation of the Pilot Project Akshaya for an estimated cost of Rs.150 lakhs in Malappuram District. The Director, KSITM has informed that around 600 Akshaya Centres have been set up and around 2 lakh citizens have completed e-literacy training in Malappuram.

2. The Director, KSITM in his letter read as reference 2 above, has informed that Kerala State IT Mission has initiated the process of providing Internet connectivity to Akshaya Centres in Malappuram. It has been informed that a nation wide Request for Proposal (RFP) was invited by KSITM. The short listed connectivity providers, was evaluated by the Technical Committee and the Financial Committee constituted by Government as per the Government Order read as 3rd paper above.

3. The Technical Committee evaluated the proposals and suggested that broadband connectivity may be provided. The Financial Committee recommended that there should be minimum cash-outflow on Capital Costs to Government, and minimal recurring costs to Akshaya Centres. The matter was also discussed by the State Level Executive Committee for Akshaya on 20th August 2003, highlighting the need for building up the Rural Internet Connectivity Infrastructure (RICl).

4. On the basis of the above recommendations of the Technical and Financial Committee for Akshaya connectivity and State Level Executive Committee for Akshaya, to the Director, Kerala State IT Mission has requested approval of Government for the following:

- a. Permission to implement the project Rural Internet Connectivity Infrastructure (RICl)

- b. For approval of release of Work Order for Akshaya Connectivity to M/s Tulip IT Services Ltd. Which is the lowest tenderer as recommended by the Financial Committee.

5. Under RICl, apart from 552 Akshaya Centres, 500 Government offices spread across district will be extended connectivity to the extent possible using the same Infrastructure with upgradations as required at additional costs. Total cash outflow on Capital costs for setting up Internet Connectivity for Akshaya Centers is Rs.320.16 Lakhs. With an additional capital investment of Rs. 164.55 Lakhs, 500 additional Government offices will also be provided broadband Internet connectivity

6. After having examined the above proposal in detail Government are pleased to accord administrative sanction to the proposal to provide connectivity to the Akshaya Centres at a cost of Rs. 320.16 lakhs; as well as connectivity to 500 offices in Malappuram district at a cost of Rs. 164.55 lakhs. The execution of work will be taken up in two phases: Connectivity for Akshaya will be provided in the first phases: ie, connectivity for AKSHAYA will be provided in the first phase and connectivity for Government offices taken up in phase II, after satisfactory completion of the connectivity to Akshaya Centers.

7. The District collector shall grant necessary Rights of Way permission for co-locating the connectivity infrastructure elements like towers and masts and terminal equipments, in the premises of selected Government offices and other Government owned premises in Malappuram. To fully utilize the advantage of connectivity infrastructure thus made available in Malappuram, the District Collector shall identify Government offices and suggest e-governance services, which can be offered to the general public, using the network infrastructure in Akshaya centers, in consultation with IT Department.

8. The expenditure on this account will be debited to the Head of Account 3451 - 101 - 87 - KITSS - Grant in aid during the current financial year.

By Order of the Governor

ARUNA SUNDARARAJAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:

The Director, Kerala State IT Mission, Thiruvananthapuram.
The District Collector Malappuram.
The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister.
The Accountant General (A&E)/Audit, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
(This Issues with the concurrence of Finance Department)
The Finance Department - Vide U.O. No. 86958/Exp.A1/2003/Fin.
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