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Sub:- APRVM (SSA), Hyderabad – Providing bicycles to muslim minority girls studying 7th class in Government and Localbody schools in the state during 2012-13 – Certain guidelines – Issued – Reg.

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RTE Act 2009 mandates that all the children in the age group of 6-14 years shall be provided with 8 years of quality elementary education. In order to achieve this objective all the children who are enrolled in class-I shall be retained in the school till the completion of 8 years elementary cycle. Hence, retention is a corner stone in achievement of Universal Elementary Education which is now the right of children after passage of the RTE Act.

To achieve UEE, many interventions are being implemented since inception of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Programme. Some of the important interventions inter alia includes (1) Implementation of activity based and child centric teaching learning process by building the capacities of teachers (2) Supply of children literature to schools (3) Involvement of community in school activities (4) Release of various types of grants to schools (5) Implementation of specific programmes for the education of focused groups like girls, SC/STs, minorities and urban deprived (6) Establishment of KGBVs for the education of girls belonging to disadvantaged groups (7) Supply of free textbooks, uniforms and providing Mid-day meal to the children etc.

Inspite of all these efforts, retention among muslim minority girls is still a matter of concern. Therefore, it is decided to provide bicycles to the muslim minority girls studying 7th class to improve the attendance and retention and

smooth transition to 8th class. It is also contemplated to attract the girls from Madararas towards mainstream education and continue till the completion of elementary level of education.

Accordingly, M/s TI Cycles of India Ltd., has been selected through e-procurement platform for supply of 26301 bicycles and orders have been placed vide reference cited above. District-wise no. of bicycles to be delivered along with prescribed specifications is enclosed. Further, the agency has been requested to start delivery of bicycles to all districts during March 2013. Hence, the following guidelines are issued to ensure proper supply of quality bicycles with prescribed specifications.

1. A Committee shall be constituted with 3 to 4 officers preferably from Industries Department, Polytechnic / Engineering Colleges etc.,
2. The Committee shall select one sample bicycle randomly from the stock dumped by the agency before assembling for lab testing at Hyderabad. The Committee shall also visit some mandals randomly where the cycles are distributed and verify the quality of cycles with reference to prescribed specifications.
3. The selected cycle shall be sent to the Assistant Director, MSME Testing Station, A1, Industrial Estate, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad-500018. (Ph.No.23702404) for lab testing. The testing fee shall be paid to MSME from the State Project Office.
4. After the completion of assembling the bicycles, the agency shall deliver the bicycles at mandal point with their own transportation and obtain acknowledgements from the Mandal Educational Officers concerned.
5. After receipt of acknowledgements from the agency and test reports from MSME, payment shall be made from the provision of Madarsa component if the sample bicycles meet the prescribed specifications.
6. The cost of each bicycle is fixed at ₹3214/- inclusive of all taxes and transportation upto mandal point. No extra amount shall be paid to the agency under any circumstances.

7. The Mandal Educational Officer shall make the stock entry of bicycles and distribute them to the eligible children in the presence of their parents duly obtaining signature in the issue register. If the no. of bicycles received is less than the no. of eligible muslim minority girls of class-VII, priority shall be given to the girls mainstreamed from Madarasas and the girls coming from far away distance.
8. Warranty shall be given by the agency for all bicycles to be supplied. In case of any manufacturing defects are found the same shall be replaced by the agency. The warranty period is for one year from the date of supply.

The District Collectors are requested to monitor the proper distribution of bicycles to eligible children.

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To
All the District Collectors and Chairmen of Rajiv Vidya Mission in the state
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