



SINDH EDUCATION &
LITERACY DEPARTMENT



GOVERNMENT OF THE SINDH
EDUCATION AND LITERACY DEPARTMENT
Karachi, Dated: September 02nd, 2016

ORDER

NO.SO(G-III)E&L/SESP/APPROVAL-NFE-CURR/2016: The Government of Sindh, Education and Literacy Department is pleased to approve and introduce "Non Formal Basic Education (NFBE) Curriculum", which is accelerated and equivalent to primary level in accordance with National Curriculum 2006 and serves as stand-alone and alternative Non-Formal Basic Education programme for out-of-school children to complete Primary Education Cycle or re-enter the formal school system. The NFBE Curriculum supplements and compliments the efforts of the formal education system to provide the "Right to Free & Compulsory Education in Pakistan to all children under article 25-A".

FEATURES OF THE NFBE CURRICULUM:

The NFBE curriculum describes following key features:

1. The NFBE curriculum is equivalent to formal primary curriculum and provides a quality learning equivalent to those acquired through formal education system
2. NFBE curriculum offers three packages; **Package A** (Kachi & Grade-1) equivalent to grade-1, **Package B** (Grades 2 & 3), equivalent to grade 3, and **Package C** (Grades 4 & 5), equivalent to grade-5.
3. NFBE curriculum is accelerated and offers primary completion in shorter duration (32 to 40 months); all equivalency levels certifiable for re-entering the formal schools for continuing education
4. The NFBE curriculum is an **alternative Education programme** and serves as bridge course for out-of-school children **aged between 5-16**.
5. The NFBE curriculum provides first and second chance to all out-of-school children between the ages of 5-16, especially those representing marginalized and excluded societal groups.

APPROVAL:

Whereas the **Bureau of Curriculum (BOC)** has completed all necessary steps to develop, review and improve the **NFBE Curriculum** and **IRC (Internal Review Committee)**, **PRC (Provincial Review Committee)** and **SRC (Select Review Committee)** have incorporated all suggestions and recommendations and issued **NOC (no objection certificate)** for the said curriculum;

Whereas the **Curriculum Wing, Education and Literacy Department** has endorsed the **NOC** issued by the **BOC** and has requested for further process and approval in the form of a notification from the undersigned;

It is expedient to notify the **approval of the NFBE Curriculum**, which will officially be used as an accelerated and equivalent curriculum for Non-Formal Basic (Primary) Education Programme in Sindh Province.

COMPLIANCE:

Directorate of Literacy & Non-Formal Education shall apply the approved NFBE curriculum for primary, level accelerated, flexible and alternative education programmes

All Non-Formal Education Basic Education providers including **public, private, NGOs/ CSOs**; shall use and apply the approved NFBE curriculum for their accelerated, alternative and flexible primary level education programmes

The **Sindh Textbook Board (STBB)** should refer to the approved NFBE curriculum to develop primary level textbooks and supplementary reading materials

The **Provincial Education Assessment Center (PEAC)**, should also refer to the approved NFBE curriculum to develop and implement an Assessment & Examination system for NFBE programme

Sindh Teachers Education Development Authority (STEDA) should also refer to the NFBE curriculum to develop and implement teachers' management and capacity enhancement system for NFBE teachers in Sindh.

CONTINUOUS REVIEW AND IMPROVEMENT:

The directorate of Literacy & Non-Formal Education and the BOC are directed to hold review of the approved NFBE curriculum after every five years to update the curriculum with local, provincial, national and global priorities

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Copy is forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Head of Curriculum, Education & Literacy Department Sindh.
2. The Chairman, Sindh Text Book Board, Jamshoro.
3. The Chief Programme Manager (CPM) RSU, Education and Literacy Department, Government of Sindh.
4. The Director General PITE, Shaheed Benazirabad.
5. The Additional Secretary / Focal Person RSU, Education and Literacy Department Government of Sindh.
6. The Director Bureau of Curriculum & Extension Wing, Jamshoro.
7. The Executive Director, STEDA, Education & Literacy Department Sindh
8. The Director School Education (Primary) Education & Literacy Department



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9. The Director – Directorate of Literacy & Non-Formal Education Sindh.
10. The Additional Director, Teachers Training Institutes Sindh.
11. The Chief Advisor of JICA-AQAL Project.
12. The Chief of Party, SRP, USAID, Sindh.
13. The Education Specialist, UNICEF Sindh.
14. The Provincial Coordinator, UNESCO Sindh.
15. The Provincial Coordinator Sindh, JICA-AQAL Project.
16. The Director Operations, NCHD Sindh.
17. The Provincial Director, BECS, Sindh.
18. The All Adult Literacy and Non Formal Basic Education Providers in Sindh.
19. All Concerned NGOs/CBOs/Cos.
20. The P.S to Minister, Education and Literacy Department, Government of Sindh, Sindh.
21. The PS to Secretary, Education and Literacy Department, Government of Sindh, Sindh.
22. The P.S to Special Secretary, Education & Literacy Department Sindh.
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