

MONTHLY EDUCATION COORDINATION MEETING MINUTES

Held on 30TH June 2008 at MoE meeting hall at 9am

ATTENDANCE

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Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Review/Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting and Follow-up of action points
3. Follow up on the 2008 action matrix
4. Capacity building for the MoE
5. Strengthening of the coordination meetings

Any other business:

- Briefing of the NFE working group meetings
- TVET examinations & standardization of curriculum (policy)
- Haji Rabbi (Somali Writer) presenting Somali language book
- SCOTT

Minutes 1/30th June: Welcome and Introduction

The third coordination meeting for 2008 was held at the MoE meeting hall, the meeting was chaired by the DG and co chaired by UNICEF, the DG opened the meeting by welcoming the participants and thanking them for their participation, the DG said that those members who have not attended are going to reported to the main SASCB for absenteeism with no justification. He also reminded the members that UNICEF will be co chairing the coordination meetings, and the DG asked NRC to be co chairing in the absence of UNICEF, because of their experience of hosting the meetings.

Minutes 2/30th June: Review/ adoption of previous meeting minutes and follow up on action points

Action points were reviewed as followed:

- NRC proposed one and half days workshop and invite all the stake holders to finalize girls strategy document, there after NRC and SCUK should get together to work on the way forward.
- SCD/MoE have circulated the matrix to the coordination members to fill in their DSA rates for residents and non resident plus transportation costs, and are still awaiting for the members inputs.
- SCD organized a half a day validation workshop at MoE meeting hall on the assessment report of the consultants over ABE transfer policy issues, and this will be followed by presentation of the guidelines.
- Still Members have not forwarded their inputs to NRC on the earlier request to fill the action point matrix ASAP and (return to trainer6_sl@som.nrc.no)

Minutes 3/30th June: Follow up 2008 Education action matrix

NRC said that only CFBT has submitted their inputs and are still waiting for the others to submit their inputs.

Minutes 4/30th June: Capacity building for the MoE

The DG asked the members to submit their capacity plans for the MoE for 2008 esp. school construction; I am attaching the matrix as an annex with organization inputs.

Minutes 5/30th June: Strengthening of the coordination meeting

The DG said that coordination meeting was the means of sharing what has been achieved in the period of one month therefore discuss and analyse the achievements, challenges and constraints. And as all organizations are aware the last Monday of the month is the coordination meeting day, the time is 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the new MoE meeting hall which is now the permanent venue for the coordination meetings. And there is no reason for organizations not attending, without a strong justification, there are many organizations working in the field of education who do not attend these meetings, they are to be officially asked by MoE to attend. As strengthening of the coordination meetings there is a need for the planning department to play a crucial role here, planning for the meeting, sending out invitations, following up of action points and being aware of the interventions of the organizations for a particular period so as to avoid overlapping. A meeting was suggested by NRC to meet with the director of planning together with UNICEF to meet at UNICEF office at 10:00 on 1/7/2008 to discuss further ways of strengthening the coordination meetings.

Minutes 6/30th June: Any Other Business

Debriefing of the NFE working group:

The members were reminded of the regular NFE working group who usually meet once a month at Swiss Group and the meetings are usually chaired by the director of NFE department, it was agreed that as it used to be the coordination members to be debriefed on the NFE WG meetings.

TVET examinations and standardization of the curriculum

SCD is planning to conduct an examination on 735 TVET trainees (205 in the EBTVET component and 535 in the IBTVET component).

The centralised and standardised examination will be conducted by the SLNECB starting 15th July 2008 (EBTVET) and 15th August 2008 (IBTVET).

The PETT project manager urged the members to use standardised curriculum developed by the MOE:

Action point: Need to develop and implement curriculum guidelines/policy

Hajji Rabbi

Hajji Rabbi is a Somali language writer who has been writing and publishing language books, he wanted to present to the members the new language book he has recently published, that would enable teachers and learners to benefit greatly from it, after passing the book and its contents around to the members it was discussed and agreed that the MoE should first endorse it before organizations would agree whether fund or reprint it for the school use.

SCOTT:

The final evaluation of the SCOTT program is still ongoing and the examinations results still to be released by the MoE, so far the preliminary findings are out, and the preparations for the second intake is ongoing, the intake would be around 1500-2000 intakes for the second cohort.

Action points:

- Members are requested to fill the action point matrix ASAP and (return to trainer6_sl@som.nrc.no)
- Organizations also to fill in their construction plans for MoE for 2008.
- SCD/MoE to circulate a matrix to the coordination members to fill in their DSA rates for residents and non resident plus transportation costs.
- The director of planning to meet together with UNICEF and NRC at UNICEF at 10:00 on Tuesday 1/7/2008

The meeting was closed at 11:30 am. The next meeting is set to take place on **30th of July** (Last Monday of the month of July) in the MoE meeting hall at nine am.

Meeting facilitated by:

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