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Circular No: 27/2018

To all Principals of all the National Schools,

**Education Sector Development Framework and Programme (2015 – 2019)
Ministry of Education**

Subject: School Based Learning Improvement Grant (SBLIG) - 2018 provided for the qualitative development of all the National Schools.

Various projects and Programmes are being implemented in school level with the objective of upgrading the learning achievement levels of school students and the Ministry of Education has decided to provide a financial grant in this year too as an assistance for the avoidance of difficulties confronted by schools in obtaining financial provisions for these projects and programmes. Likewise, in the execution of instructions provided by the Circular No. 05/2015 dated 29.01.2015 with the heading of "Prohibition of Irregular Charging of Money within Schools", this grant operates as an assistance to schools as well as an assistance to settle the essential expenses. Accordingly, the Ministry of Education has made arrangements to provide this special Learning Improvement Grant as an outright grant to all the National Schools. Instructions pertaining to the systematic utilization of this Grant has been issued by this Circular.

02. This Grant can be used for strengthening the implementation of school based Programmes that are executed under the School Uplifting Programme, such as special projects and programmes pertaining to enhancing the learning achievement levels of school students, vocational capacity development programmes of teachers, subject related programmes, co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Arrangements should be made to utilize this grant for the promotion of learning achievement levels of student and higher-order learning competencies within students with a view to enhancing the quality of the overall school education.

03. An amount of Rs.would be provided to your national school as an outright grant as the forth step of this Grant and it would be credited to "School Development Bank Account" of your school by the Accounts Division of the Ministry of Education. This Grant will be provided by the Transforming the School Education System as the Foundation of a Knowledge Hub Project (TSEP) implemented under the donations of the World Bank. Action would be taken to provide this Grant as its further steps according to a performance

based methodology by considering the efficiency and the performance displayed by your school in relation to the Programmes/projects executed using this grant.

04. Fields in which this financial grant should be utilized.

These Grants can be utilized for the following functions.

- i. Implementation of special projects/programmes/activities pertaining to enhancing the learning achievement levels of students and enhancing the learning and teaching process.
- ii. Implementation of Capacity Development Programmes for teachers and School Based Teacher Development Programmes.
- iii. Implementation of subject related, co-curricular and extracurricular activities.
- iv. Implementation of programmes and projects in relation to improving higher level of skills in students.
- v. Implementation of creative and innovative programmes and projects for students.
- vi. Maintenance activities and minor renovation activities of school buildings and equipment (subjected to a maximum of 50 % of the Grant. One of the most important matter here is to focus attention on accomplishing a higher amount of minor maintenance activities rather than accomplishing one or several maintenance activities using the same or a half of this percentage.) (See Annexure 03.)

05. The priority of allocating provisions

The projects/programmes to be implemented using this grant should be identified in the priority basis by conducting discussions between the School Development Committee and the School Management Committee. Accordingly, a sub plan should be prepared as a component of the Annual Development Plan of the School (2017) in relation to the projects/programmes/activities that are executed through this grant. This sub Plan should be prepared using the Format indicated in the Annexure 01 (SBLIG – NS 4 - (2018) and it should be submitted to the Director of Education of the National Schools Branch of the Ministry of Education before the 15th of July 2018. These plans would be reviewed and approved by a Committee comprising of the following officers.

1. Additional Secretary/ Policy, Planning and Performance Review
2. Additional Secretary/ Education Quality Development
3. Director of Education/Policy and Planning
4. Director of Education/National School

06. Acceptance of Money

The School Based Learning Improvement Grant provided by the Ministry of Education will be credited to the Bank Account of the School Development Committee of the respective school. Immediately after receiving the Grant, the respective principal of the school should use the Format as instructed by the Circular No. 07/2013 dated 28.11.2013 and it should be sent along with a covering letter notifying that the grant has been received, to reach "Accountant/Payments, Ministry of Education, Isurupaya, Battaramulla. A photo copies of the covering letter and the receipt certified by the Principal should also be sent to reach "Director of Education, National School Branch, Ministry of Education, Isurupaya, Battaramulla and "Director of Education/Policy and Planning Branch, Ministry of Education, Isurupaya, Battaramulla.

07. The amount of money received through this Grant has to be accounted under the School Development Account. Further, Expenditure ledges in relation to this special Grant has to be maintained in a separate page


and relevant reports of accounts should be maintained separately. Spending of the amount of money received under this Grant should be finalized by the 30th September 2018.

08. The progress of this programme has to be included in the submission of the quarterly accounts reports in terms of the Provisions stipulated in the Circular No. 07/2013 dated 28.11.2013 and the Guidelines Manual and its letter of instructions in which the date, 18.02.2014 has been revised. The physical and financial progress of this Programme should be submitted before the 30th October 2018. For that purpose, the Annexure 02 (SBLIG – NS 4 - (2018) Format should be used. Reports on the Physical and Financial Progress should be submitted to "Director of Education, National School Branch, Ministry of Education, Isurupaya, Battaramulla" and "Director of Education/Policy and Planning Branch, Ministry of Education, Isurupaya, Battaramulla" before the respective date.

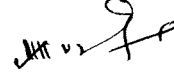
09. Monitoring, Reporting and Auditing

Measures required for enhancing the learning achievement levels of school students have to be taken through planning and implementation of short term but effective projects/programmes/activities using this Grant. The Director of Education of the National School Branch of the Ministry of Education will monitor whether the grant is effectively utilized and the Provincial Directors of Education and the Zonal Directors of Education should constantly supervise the same. Likewise, this Grant is subjected to the Audit on its utilization.

10. The Secretary of the Ministry of Education reserves the right of defining and taking the final decision of any matter pertaining to the execution of this Circular and the Guidelines.


Tissa Hewawithana
Secretary (Act)
Ministry of Education

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 3. All Additional Secretaries, Ministry of Education
 4. All Provincial Secretaries of Education
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 6. Chief Accountant, Ministry of Education
 8. Director of Education, Policy and Planning, Ministry of Education
 9. Director of Education, National School, Ministry of Education
 10. All Directors of Education

Annexure 01: SBLIG-NS 4-(2018)
Education Sector Development Framework and Programme (2015 – 2019) – Ministry of Education
School-Based Learning Improvement Grant provided for the qualitative Development of all the National Schools (2018)

Serial No.	Project/Programme	Objectives
1		1.1 _____ 1.2 _____ 1.3 _____
2		2.1 _____ 2.2 _____ 2.3 _____

Serial No.	Project/Programme	Time Frame	Estimated Amount Rs.	Anticipated Output	Anticipated Outcome	Responsibility of Implementation	Other Remarks

I do hereby certify that the aforementioned particulars and information is true.

Signature :

Name of the Principal :

Date :

Copies: Provincial Director of Education, Provincial Department of Education
 Zonal Director of Education, Zonal Office of Education

Education Sector Development Framework and Programme (2015 – 2019)
Ministry of Education

School-Based Learning Improvement Grant provided for the qualitative development of all the National Schools (2018)
Reporting the Physical and Financial Progress in School Level

Name of the School:

Amount obtained under the SBLIG Rupees	Date of Receiving the Grant	Project/Projects/Programme Carried out	Expenditure Estimate Rupees	Physical Progress as at 30 th October 2018	Financial Progress as at 30 th October 2018	Other Remarks

I do hereby certify that the aforementioned particulars and information is true.

Signature :
Name of the Principal :
Date :

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Zonal Director of Education, Zonal Office of Education

Priority List for Maintenance Activities and Minor Renovation Activities of School Buildings and Equipment.

1. Primary Facilities

- Repairing of doors, windows and crumbling or dilapidated roofs and ceilings in order to provide learning premises such as classrooms, laboratories and libraries an attractive finish.
- Repairing walls and ramparts which have not been maintained.
- Halls where certain classes are conducted should be permanently partitioned as classrooms in a suitable manner as required.

2. Secondary Facilities

- Renovating the gate, front side fence, wall, access way and the name board of School.
- Demolition of dilapidated buildings, closure of old wells and lavatory pits etc. and repairing insecure drainage systems.
- Construction of a security fence around the Play yard.
- Preparation of the school lay out plan and taking measures regarding the cleanliness and the attractiveness of School buildings.
- Carrying out essential and urgent repairs and improvements in water supply and electricity supply.
- Repairing of internal communication system.