

Project Hyundai Steel - Sangamam Kanini
Improvements to Government Schools with Hyundai Steel, Sriperumbudur Dist.
Asha Chennai Proposal – Year 2017-18
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Background:

Asha Chennai has been working with forty five government primary schools in the Thiruvallur district under Project Sangamam and Project Sangamam Kanini. Most of these schools are in the Poondi block. There are a few schools in the Ellapuram block

We typically do the following work at the Sangamam Kanini schools we support,

1. Provide a computer teacher. Depending on the size of the school we typically provide a teacher for 1 or 2 days a week to work at these schools providing curriculum and computer literacy education to students.
2. Undertake minimal civil works at the schools including blackboard repainting. Optionally more things like building of kitchen sheds, repair roof leak etc.
3. Train our teachers.
4. Maintain the computer labs at these schools.
5. Support the schools in conducting annual day functions.

This project has also been augmented by other projects like [RightStart](#). RightStart is the annual teacher training that is held in May for the teachers of Asha Chennai from all the projects as well as teachers from partner organisations.

1. Provide laptops for our teachers. Train the teachers on using the laptops.
2. Provide Internet enabled Wifi hotspots to the teachers along with data plans so that they can all use the Internet. Provide Wifi dongles for the computers in the schools so that they can also access the Internet through these hotspots.
3. Provide contents that are aligned to the lessons in the curriculum to improve the education. We would provide contents suitable for primary schools with particular emphasis in English and Maths.

Locally the activities of the project have been coordinated by the project coordinator Srinivasan. In doing all these activities we have been happy to find a supportive and energetic set of teachers at these schools. The district and panchayat officials have also been very supportive.

Hyundai Steel Co., Ltd, or **HSC** is a steel making company headquartered in Incheon and Seoul, South Korea, and a member of the Hyundai-Kia Motor Group. Hyundai Steel has an office in Chennai in the Sengadu Village near Sriperumbudur. They have shown an interest in supporting education in the areas surrounding Sengadu to show goodwill to the community. They approached Asha to see if we can work with Hyundai Steel to support these schools. Aspects of all of the above projects will be implemented for the new schools identified by Hyundai Steel as well.

Schools to be covered:

PUPS Sengadu

This primary school has 27 children and 2 teachers. The number of students in the school has declined compared to the previous year. The plan is to provide one computer teacher at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. The teacher will visit the school one day a week. There is no computer provided by the Government at this school.

PUMS Ayakolathur

This primary school has 54 children and 2 teachers and the middle school has 33 students and 4 teacher. The plan is to provide one regular teacher that will go to school 5 days a week and one computer teacher that will go one day a week at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. There are 5 computers provided by the Government at this school.

ADW Primary School at Srirampalayam

This primary school has 24 children and 2 teachers. The number of students in the school has declined compared to the previous year. The plan is to provide one computer teacher at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. The teacher will visit the school one day a week. There is no computer provided by the Government at this school.

PUPS AN Kandigai

This primary school has 24 children and 2 teachers. The number of students in the school has remained more or less constant compared to the previous year. The plan is to provide one computer teacher at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. The teacher will visit the school one day a week. There are no functional computers provided by the Government at this school.

PUPS Bakthavatchalam Nagar

This primary school has 28 children and 2 teachers. The plan is to provide one computer teacher that will go one day a week at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. There are no functional computers provided by the Government at this school.

PUMS Valasai Vettikadu

This middle school has about 100 children and 5 teachers. The plan is to provide one computer teacher that will go one day a week at this school to teach English and Mathematics in addition to basic computer skills including word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. There are 5 computers at the school but none of them appear to be functional.

Project Details and Estimates for Year June 2017 to May 2018

SNo	Work Description	Cost and Modification Details	Cost
1	Computer teachers – 2 Regular teacher - 1 Computer teachers will visit the elementary schools one day and middle schools 2 days a week. Regular teachers will be available at the assigned school every day of the week	The base salaries for 2017-18 is likely to be Rs 7000 including conveyance between Rs 500 and Rs 1000 per month and a Rs 3000 bonus during Deepavali.	Rs 261,000
2	Coordinator. The coordinator would need to handle the purchases, handle cash on behalf of Asha, travel to Chennai to provide vouchers, collect cheques give to the teachers etc. If Hyundai Steel provides this person, he would pretty much need to act as an employee of Asha. He should also possess the skills required to maintain good relations with the village leaders, school teachers, education dept. officials etc. and ensure smooth functioning of the project.	The assistant coordinator will be used part time for this project while also working on other Sangamam Kanini related activities. His/her salary will be prorated for Hyundai Steel Sangamam at Rs. 6000 per month + Rs. 5000 for yearly bike maintenance and Rs. 3000 Deepavali Bonus	Rs 80,000
3	Educational and Stationery Materials	Stationaries, educational kits, slates, pens, pencils etc. Skipping rope, plastic balls, footballs, board games etc. About Rs. 12,000 per school	Rs 72,000
4	Blackboard and Scribble Area Repainting	This usually needs to be done twice a year. Expect it to cost around Rs. 5,000 per school	Rs 30,000
5	Materials for the children. These may be things like bags, uniforms, chappals, health kits etc. This helps the children as well as keep the parents motivated to continue the children in this school.	Currently we are not budgeting for this. We typically allocate Rs 300 per child for this.	
6	School day and other school functions	The allocation is approximate based on our usual expenses in our other schools.	Rs 60,000
7	Laptops for teachers with a Wifi hotspot. Minimal i3 based configuration with 4GB RAM, 1 TB hard disk, webcam and Wifi.	3 * Rs 30,000.	Rs 90,000
8	Data plan for 3 teachers.	Rs 500 * 12 * 3	Rs 18,000
9	Computer Technician Salary for Maintenance of computer labs	Rs 4000 per month for hardware repairs, system/network administration.	Rs 48,000
10	Computer Maintenance Hardware and Software Purchases	Rs 10000 per year	Rs 10,000

10	Support for Sangamam Kanini project (which benefits all the government school projects. Contents, software, assessments, etc. are created by the project. Senior computer trainer will also be provided by Sangamam Kanini project.	Rs 20000 per month for loaded costs (Office Rent, Salary, Other Costs) for one Content Developer.	Rs 240,000
11	Teacher Kits	Two uniform sarees and bag for teachers. Rs 2000 for each of the 3 teachers.	Rs 6,000.
12	Administrative Office Rent	Rs 500 per month for office rent (part of the Thiruvallur office). Office shared with other projects	Rs 6,000
13	Contingency Fund (emergencies, conveyance, documentation etc.)	Events and Functions with Hyundai Steel and other unforeseen expenses	Rs 79,000
	TOTAL		Rs 10,00,000