

1. Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA)

This scheme was launched in March, 2009 with the objective to enhance access to secondary education and to improve its quality. It is envisaged to achieve an enrolment rate of 75% from 52.26% in 2005-06 at secondary stage within 5 years of implementation of the scheme by providing a secondary school within a reasonable distance of any habitation. The other objectives include improving quality of education imparted at secondary level through making all secondary schools conform to prescribed norms, removing gender, socio-economic and disability barriers, providing universal access to secondary level education by 2017, i.e., by the end of 12th Five Year Plan and achieving universal retention by 2020. With this objective, the RMSA Society for the implementation of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Programme has been registered under Societies Registration Act 1960 in the State of Punjab. It has been named as Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan Authority, Punjab. Date of Notification of RMSA Society, Punjab : 29 January, 2009.

General Body for RMSA is association of 29 members. The affairs of the Authority are administered, subject to Rules and Regulations and orders of the Authority, by an Executive Committee, which is association of 14 members. President of both Committees is Honorable Chief Minister, Punjab and Member Secretary is Director General School Education-cum-Director Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, Punjab.

Important physical facilities provided under the scheme are:

(i) Additional class rooms, (ii) science laboratories, (iii) Libraries, (iv) Art and crafts room, (v) Toilet blocks, (vi) Drinking water provisions

(ii) Important quality interventions provided under the scheme are:

(i) Remedial Teaching in Science, Math for weak students of class 9th and 10th (ii) In-service training of teachers, (iii) Art & Craft Mela (iv) Sport kits (v) Book Fair at district level (vi) Study tour for teachers (vii) Excursion trip for students of class 9th and 10th (viii) Science Fair - Tehsil & District level (ix) Quiz competitions for 9th and 10th students (x) School grant for high and senior secondary schools (xi) Bilingual Dictionaries and Math Kits for the students of class 9th and 10th (xii) Establishment of E-libraries in 1789 schools.

(iii) Important equity interventions provided in the scheme are:

(i) Special focus on micro planning (ii) opening of Girls hostel (iii) Karate training of students (iv) Special enrolment drive for the weaker section (v) Incentive to SC girls (vi) Separate toilet blocks for girls.

Achievements of RMSA since 2009-10 to 31.3.2015

- 304 schools were upgraded from middle to high.
- 264 Head Masters were recruited in upgraded school under RMSA.
- 1034 subject teachers were recruited in RMSA upgraded Schools out of which 803 teachers are working and recruitment process of remaining 764 teachers is nearing completion.
- 2949 secondary Schools were strengthened with additional infrastructure. i.e., 1279 Additional Classrooms, 1299 Science labs & Science Lab equipments, 2780 Art & Craft Rooms, 2178 libraries, 2198 Separate toilets & Drinking water facility.
- Major repair grant was given to 378 secondary schools.
- Minor repair grant @ 25000 per school is given to all secondary schools.
- School grant @ 50000 per school is given every year to all High and Senior Secondary Schools.

- 1,62,995 Students of 10th class were taken for excursion trip in 2010-11 and 1lac students in 2012-13.
- 105950 In-service Govt. and Govt. Aided secondary schools teachers were trained from the year 2009 upto 2014.
- 50 teachers from Govt. schools were sent to OISE Toronto, Canada under Teacher Development Program signed by Punjab Government.
- 1500 Secondary teachers were covered under Study Tour for teachers during 2011-12.
- Quiz Competition for 9th & 10th Class students is organized every year at Block, Districts Level and State level.
- Science Fair is organized at Tehsil and District level every year.
- Karate Training is given to all Girl Students of class IX and X every year.
- Sports Kits have been provided to 200 Secondary Schools (10 in each district) @ 0.20 lacs per school.
- 185.274 lacs was released to provide Remedial teaching in Science and Math subjects for the students of class 9th and 10th during the year 2013-14 & 2014-15.
- Art and craft mela was organized at state level in district Bathinda during the year 2013-14.
- 328.50 lacs were disbursed to provide bilingual dictionaries and math kits for the students of class 9th and 10th.
- 33330 SMDC members were trained under RMSA.
- Edusat libraries have been established in 1789 Govt. high and senior secondary schools which are also being shared by ICT project for providing computer education to the students.
- Receive only Terminals (ROTs) facility is also provided to all govt. and high schools under RMSA.
- During the year 2014-15 Vocational Education was started in 100 govt. schools with 6 trades i.e. IT, Security, Beauty & Wellness, Retail, Health care and Automobile.

- 300 new school with 8 trades were approved for vocational education.
- Under IEDSS scheme 619 resource rooms were constructed in Punjab @ Rs 2.0 lacs per resource room for the Children with Special Needs.
- An amount of Rs. 459.05 lacs was released under IEDSS scheme for strengthening the additional infrastructure of DIETs , schools, disabled friendly toilets, ramps and equipments for 464 resource rooms constructed for Children with Special Needs during the year 2013-14
- An amount of Rs. 285.23 lacs were released for providing scholarships, uniforms, books and stationary, aid & appliances, medical care for 10125 children with special need during the year 2014-15.
- 21 Girls Hostels were opened in 21 Educationally Backward Blocks out of which 17 Hostel have become functional during the year 2014-15 and 543 inmates were enrolled in these hostels.
- Cost of construction work of each hostels was Rs. 52.50 lac.

Adrash and Model Schools

- 21 Govt. Model Sr. Sec. Schools were opened on Kendriya Vidyalaya pattern in Educationally Backward Blocks of 7 district (Bathinda, Ferozepur, Mansa, Muktsar, Patiala, Sangrur and Tarn Taran during the year 2009-10.
- 10 to 15 acres of land provided by village Panchayats free of cost for the Model Schools and Building of each Govt. Model Sr. Sec. Schools cost Rs. 3.02 Crores.
- These schools are of English medium and Affiliated to the CBSE, New Delhi.

- Free of cost education is provided to all students in these schools.
- At present 6798 students are studying in these schools and 228 subject teacher are working.
- Recruitment of 333 Post Graduate Teacher and Trained graduate teacher, computer teacher are in process.
- 6 Govt. Adarsh Sr. Sec school have been opened on Kendriya Vidyalaya pattern at border and backward areas of 5 District (Bathinda, Ferozepur, Tarn Taran, Gurdaspur & Ropar.)
- 10 to 15 acres of land provided by village Panchayats free of cost for Adarsh schools and Building of each Govt. Model Sr. Sec. Schools cost Rs. 3.02 Crores.
- These schools are of English medium and Affiliated to the CBSE, New Delhi
- From class nursery to 10th 4481 students are studying in these schools
- Free of cost education is provided to all students in these schools.
- At present 144 teaching and non teaching staff is working in these schools.