



FACILITY IMPROVEMENT FOR EDUCATION INSTITUTES- REPORT



Safe School Reopening Pilot
Idara-e-Taleem-o-Agahi

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Non-Pharmaceutical Intervention
Renovation and Repair Work & Provision of Protective Equipment in
Intervention Schools

Safe School Reopening Pilot- SRP Project
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Background

The Safe Schools Reopening Pilot – proposed the non-pharmaceutical interventions, including the soft component (Trainings) and hard component of physical improvement of intervention schools / Colleges.

Interventions:

Based on the findings from the initial assessment/Baseline of intervention schools and list of Protective Equipment and Supplies and Renovation & repair works was prepared and submitted to Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training and donor for approvals.

As the approval from ministry and JICA was received the tenders were advertised, and the selected vendors were provided the purchase order for procurements.

For renovation & Repairs work a baseline assessment for the engineering works was also made through an engineer.

The list of the items identified and proposed for procurements included protective material, health and hygiene materials, material for proposed isolation rooms and some first aid medications. Along with that construction of temporary isolation rooms was proposed and in some schools' toilet installation was also proposed. The list and the proposed repairs work was shared with the school Principals and administration of each of the 20 schools who endorsed the list and at places added their requirements as well, they were informed that if the added material is possible under the current budget then it will be catered. The lists were then endorsed by the respective AEOs.

Following the procurement, the items were inspected by the SRP Public health expert and the team and initially stored at one place and from there the material was packed for each school / college. A team comprising of the SRP Admin and Community Mobilization team worked dedicatedly during long hours to do the school wise packing.

The preventive material and equipment were delivered to each school by the SRP mobilization and admin teams. All the material was examined by the principals and Admin of each school. The respective AEOs were informed prior to delivery of items and were also invited at the time, few of them were able to attend the small ceremony. (list of Material school wise Annex --)

Fabricated Isolation Room:

School Name	Fabricated Quarantine Facility	Remarks
IMSB Seevra	One with exhaust fan & netted windows	Installed
IMSG G 6/1-4		Installed
IMSB I -8/4		Installed

IMSG Sangjani	Quarantine facility was renovated and reconstructed	Work completed by March 15.
IMSG Kuri	Quarantine facility was renovated and constructed	Work complete

Originally the approval of one fabricated quarantine / isolation room was for IMSG Jhangi Saeedan, however on account of space non-availability, the isolation room was shifted to IMSB I-8/4 after consultation and approval from FDE.

IMSG Sangjani & Kuri had rooms that need major construction work and both were renovated to facilitate the school for creating their isolation rooms.

Fabricated Toilets Installation

School Name	Fabricated Toilet Facility	Remarks
IMSB Seevra	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSB Sohan	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSB Hedogeher	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSB Mohra Kalu	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSB I-8/4	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSG Kurri	One toilet installed	Complete
IMSB KhanaNaiAbadi	One toilet installed	Complete
IMCG g-6-1/4	One toilet installed	Complete
IMPCC H-8/4	One toilet installed	Complete

Almost all the schools required repairs of the flush tanks in the toilets, baby sinks were installed in primary schools, and menstrual hygiene kits were provided to girls' schools.

The Basic protective material like Masks, Face shield for the teachers, disinfectants for general cleaning, hand sanitizers, liquid soap for hand washing etc was provided to all school. The raw material for preparing the hand sanitizer has been provided to school that have labs and have enrolment more than 500 pupil. (list of items annexed)

No major variance was experienced for the identified & approved material under the project. The vendor however, did facilities the schools in doing minor repairs out side the contract, these services for schools were complementary from his side.

The protective equipment and materials procured for the schools were delivered systematically, for the purpose a temporary storage place was acquired where the material was kept for packing and distribution. The SRP Admin staff and mobilization teams worked together to ensure the deliveries to the schools. The delivery plan was prepared considering the geographical distribution of schools, so that the delivery can be made to two to three schools in a day.

Respective AEO (Area Education officers) were informed of the delivery and where possible their staff visited & inspected the delivery of equipment to the respective schools. (Annex – item receiving list & photographs)

Challenges & Mitigation

Challenges	Mitigation
Approval of the list of Protective Material & renovation work	Continuous follow ups with FDE, Ministry, JICA. Finally approval was granted
Procurement & delivery of items	Delivery against the whole list of items and its inspection for the quality – continuous follow ups with vendors . Sample of masks was also shared with FDE for approval

Schools eg IMSB Sohan, IMSG Jhangi Saeedan, G-61-4 etc. changed decisions for placement of fabricated rooms and toilets.	For isolation room another school was nominated in consultation with FDE. However placement of toilets and handwashing stations were made in accordance with the recommendation from schools. The vendor was asked for a written / signed request from schools for the required changes.
Time Frame for delivery of items to schools	Post approval followed by procurements and schools opening, the time was very limited to complete the huge task, the whole team of SRP worked together to achieve the targets of trainings and distribution of protective equipment
Major renovation work to be accomplished in time	Major renovation work of IMSG Sangjani and Kuri was challenging, but the engineers work through it while maintaing the quality.

Way Forward:

- The protective equipment and material is expected to facilitate the schools in maintaining and complying with SOPs
- Schools with enrolment more then 500 have been provided with raw material for making hand sanitizer in accordance with WHO Health guidelines, that will help in maintain the safe environment.
- The trained master trainers and staff are expected to complement the proper use of protective material and maintain the safe status of schools.