NATIONAL CONVENTION ON ADEQUATE FINANCING IN SCHOOL EDUCATION

Date: 21st July 2017,
Venue: India International Centre Annex, New Delhi

Objectives of the National Convention on Adequate Financing in School Education:

- To generate a strong public opinion and devise an effective strategy for persuading policy makers to ensure adequate funding or public provisioning of finance on education.

The programme had three important segments. In the first session, “Are there enough public resources for school education in the country? Examining the available evidences” was discussed. This was followed by a very significant brainstorming session on “Requirements of resources for universalisation of school education: perspectives and strategy”.

Important Resource Persons:

1. Prof. Krishna Kumar, Professor (Retd.) University of Delhi & Former Director NCERT
2. Prof. Muchkund Dubey (President, Council for Social Development)
3. Prof. R. Govinda (Distinguished Professor, CSD and Former Vice Chancellor, NUEPA)
4. Prof. Praveen Jha (Professor, JNU)

Participants: 150 participants particularly from educational institutions, CSOs, research institutions, students, political parties and academicians.

Conclusions:

- To prioritize universalisation of school education and locate financing through its lenses for an nuanced understanding of the situation and suggesting solutions
- Reduction of fiscal deficit is done due to misconceived development strategy adopted by the government
- Inability to spend allocated resources should not be a indicator in making estimates for financial allocation on education especially school education
- A new timeline for universalisation of 12 years of education should be the goal on the basis of which financial memorandum should be appropriated