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## [Asha-UFlorida-core] K4 Vote Update

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Hey folks,

Here are the results of the poll on K4. I will take it up at the meeting tomorrow. Shiva, can you please send the call minutes across ?

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Yes, we should support K4 by providing a one time funding of 2.5k - 7

No - 1  
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Some of you wanted more clarification on the budget. I asked Mr. Nadarajan about it and here is his response. I will

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Thank you for your mail. I can understand the concerns of your friends as well as your need to explain them in detail about the way money is utilised if and when money changes hands. Genuine financial prudence!

I can still go back to the proposal and split the budget up further under sub - activities and send you. I am afraid such a blue print like approach though appears neat and clean on paper, can seldom be applied as such in the rural - informal art and crafts domain that we are experiencing in the K4 context. Rather, I believe in sharing a thumbnail sketch of how we foresee K4 evolution and remain open for other stakeholders like you. The proposal available with you constitutes intended broad activities and corresponding budget in the current year which will all happen in Kanyakumari. Resource persons may be drawn from anywhere to have sessions with K4 artisans.

As far as the road map and the time frame, K4 will remain a perpetual platform for the artisans in Kanyakumari and perhaps elsewhere too at a later point in time. Activities will happen with available resources. Infusion of financial resources will hasten the process and intensity of action though.

The two broad activities viz. A) Enabling learning of children and youth (both rural and urban in SBLC) and B) Ensuring market access for the products thru appropriate supply chains will be continued as two distinct but well integrated functions in the next three years (2010 thru 2012). As we are in the formative years (2008 onwards till early 2010) of K4 and SBLC, the concern is one of establishing appropriate methods of working together and setting up transparent systems.

Thanks,

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Regards,

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