No. 5-1/2020-Desk (MDM)-Part(1)
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy
(Mid Day Meal Division)

ShastriBhavan, New Delhi. Dated: 27th October, 2020

Subject:- Permission for lifting/revalidation of food grains allocated for 1st and 2nd quarter of 2020-21 under MDM Scheme in respect of all States/UTs- reg.

The Department of Food & Public Distribution (BP-II Section) vide letter No. 4-2/2020-BP-II dated 26th October, 2020 (copy enclosed) has conveyed that the validity for lifting the allocated foodgrains under the scheme for 1st quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from April-June 2020 expired on 31.05.2020 and for 2nd quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from July-September 2020 expired on 31.08.2020. However, due to COVID-19 outbreak and complete lockdown across the country, some of the States/UTs could not lift the entire foodgrains which was allocated to them for the 1st and 2nd quarter of 2020-21. The Department of Food & Public Distribution conveys the approval to extend the validity period up to 31.12.2020 for depositing the cost and lifting of unlifted quantity of foodgrains for the 1st and 2nd Quarters of the year 2020-21 under the Mid Day Meal Scheme in respect of all States/UTs.

2. Accordingly, the undersigned is directed to convey that the unlifted quantity of foodgrains allocated for the 1st and 2nd Quarters of the year 2020-21 in respect of all States/UTs under the Mid Day Meal Scheme may be lifted up to 31.12.2020.

(Ajay Kumar) Under Secretary to the Government of India Tel. No. 011-23386169

To,

The Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of the Nodal Department of State Govt./UT Administration dealing with Mid Day Meal.

Copy to:-

 The Executive Director (Sales), Food Corporation of India, 16-20, Barakhamba Lane, New Delhi – 110001 with the copy of the Department of Food & Public Distribution letter No.4-2/2020-BP-II dated 26th October, 2020 for issuing instruction to all concerned to make available good quality foodgrain at the FCI godowns, facilitate lifting of the same and submit bills to district authorities at the earliest for payment by them.

Contd. .. 2/-

- The Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution (BP-II Section), Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi – with reference to OM No.4-2/2020-BP-II dated 26th October, 2020.
- 3. Director(GVB)/Director(RA)/Deputy Secretary (DA)
- 4. US(AD) / US(SA)
- 5. Chief Consultants / Senior Consultants / Consultants of TSG-MDM

6. PS to Joint Secretary (EE-I).

(Ajay Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

No.4-2/2020-BP-II

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> कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली दिनांक 26th October, 2020

To,

The General Manager (Sales) Food Corporation of India 16-20, Barakhamba Lane, New Delhi

Subject: Permission for lifting/revalidation of food grains allocated for 1st and 2nd quarter of 2020-21 under MDM Scheme in respect of all States/UTs- reg.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to O.M. No. 5-1/2020-Desk (MDM)-Part(1) dated 19.10.2020 (copy enclosed) received from Department of School Education & Literacy, M/o Education on the subject mentioned above and to say that the validity for lifting the allocated foodgrains under the scheme for 1st quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from April-June 2020 expired on 31.05.2020 and for 2nd quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from July-September 2020 expired on 31.08.2020. However, due to Covid-19 outbreak and complete lockdown across the country, some of the States/UTs could not lift the entire foodgrains which was allocated to them for the 1st and 2nd quarter of 2020-21. Accordingly, I am directed to convey the approval of this department to extend the validity period up to 31.12.2020 for depositing the cost and lifting of unlifted quantity of foodgrains for the 1st and 2nd Quarters of the year 2020-21 under the Mid Day Meal Scheme in r/o all States/UTs.

- 2. Food Corporation of India is requested to issue necessary instructions to its concerned Regional Offices to release the foodgrains as indicated above up to <u>31.12.2020</u> under intimation to this department.
- 3. This issues with the approval of Secretary, DFPD.

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(K. Roy Varghese) भारत सरकार के अवर सचिव 011-23073798

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Under Secretary (MDM) (Sh. program

 M/o Education is requested to closely monitor the programme. The programme is for school children and Ajay Kumar), Department of School Education & Literacy, M/o Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. therefore, it is expected that food-grains will be distributed every month and on every working day. Any erratic supply should not adversely impact actual supply on daily basis to school.