

# Mid-day Meal Schemes.

## Doda and Ramban.

### District Doda.

	No.	%age
<b>Serving</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>58%</b>
<b>Not serving</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>42%</b>

Out of total schools visited 58% of the schools were regularly serving hot cooked food whereas 42% of the schools visited were not serving regular meals as on the day of visit to the schools either due to irregular supply of food grains and grant for the same. The delivery of cooking cost was delayed and was paid in cash. No gender, caste or community discrimination was found in selecting a cook or in serving meals in almost all the schools except for one school i.e. GPS Khori in which Muslim students denied taking MDM because of the Hindu cook. Whereas sitting arrangement varied from inclusive or floor arrangement. Weekly menu was displayed at the place noticeable to the community and was decided by ZEO in most of the schools visited. Feedback from children on quality and quantity of food was not so good and children were not happy about the quality.

### Status of Cooks.

CATEGORY	NO.	%AGE
SC	5	12.5%
ST	8	20%
GEN	18	45%
OBC	9	22.5%

100% of the schools had the facility of cook/helper in the schools; remuneration paid to them was 1000 Rs/month. Most of the cook/helpers belong to the GEN category followed by OBC/ST/SC.

### Availability of kitchen shed-cum-store

	NO.	%AGE
YES	15	37.5%
NO	25	62.5%

37.5% of the schools visited had the availability of kitchen shed in the schools whereas 62.5% of the schools did not have the Pacca kitchen shed-cum-store in the schools in the

district. In 8 schools kitchen sheds were sanctioned but not yet constructed. In one of the school i.e. in GPS Shanderi it was under construction. In GPS Pathernaki there was no kitchen shed and no utensils so cook of this school managed with his own utensils. In GPS Khori kitchen shed was constructed but damaged so it was of no use. Regular supervision of MDM was not conducted by DIET officials/ZRP/CRP once every month.

### **MID-DAY MEAL PROGRAMMES BY THE MONITORING INSTITUTES**

#### **(RAMBAN)**

	<b>No.</b>	<b>%age</b>
<b>Serving</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Not serving</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Out of total schools visited 98% of the schools were regularly serving hot cooked food where as 2% of the schools visited were not serving regular meals as on the day of visit to the schools either due to irregular supply of grant for the same. The delivery of cooking cost was delayed but was paid in cash. Gender, caste or community discrimination was found in selecting a cook or in serving meals in all the schools. Whereas sitting arrangement varied from inclusive or floor arrangement. Weekly menu was displayed at the place noticeable to the community and was decided by ZEO in most of the schools visited. Feedback from children on quality and quantity of food was not so good and children were not happy with it.

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<b>SC</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>37.5%</b>
<b>ST</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>GEN</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>62.5%</b>
<b>OBC</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15%</b>

All the schools had the facility of cook/helper in the schools; remuneration paid to them was 1000 Rs/month. Most of the cook/helpers belong to the GEN category followed by SC/OBC/ST.

#### **Availability of kitchen shed-cum-store**

	<b>NO.</b>	<b>%AGE</b>
<b>YES</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>47.5%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>52.5%</b>

Only 50% (approx.) of the schools visited had the availability of kitchen shed in the schools whereas another 50% of the schools did not have the availability of pacca kitchen shed-cum-store in the schools in the district. In 4 schools kitchen sheds were sanctioned but not yet constructed. In three schools it was under construction. In KGBV Chanderkote. There is no separate scheme of MDM, so school gets no grant regarding this scheme. Food for the students is prepared in its kitchen from the grants of KGBV. Regular supervision of MDM was not conducted by DIET officials/ZRP/CRP once every month.