



मध्याह्न भोजन योजना
Mid Day Meal Scheme

1st HALF YEARLY MONITORING REPORT OF STATE RESOURCE CENTRE

On

**Mid Day Meal Scheme for the State of
J&K (KASHMIR PROVINCE)**

Period: Oct 1st, 2011 to March 31st, 2012

District Covered

- 1. Ganderbal**
- 2. Kulgam**
- 3. Bandipora**

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1. General Information

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2.	Period of the report	Oct 1 st , 2011 to March 31 th , 2012																
3.	Fund Released for the period	2,32,500 lacks																
4.	No. of Districts allotted	03																
5.	Districts' name	Ganderbal, Kulgam, Bandipora																
6.	Month of visit to the Districts / Schools (Information is to be given district wise i.e District 1, District 2, District 3 etc)	Ganderbal May to July Kulgam Do Bandipora Do																
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10.	Type of schools visited																	
A	Schools in Rural Area	92																
a)	Primary School	29																
b)	Upper Primary School	11																

c)	Upper Primary Schools with Primary Classes	52
B	Schools in Urban Areas	33
d)	Primary School	14
e)	Upper Primary School	Nil
f)	Upper Primary Schools with Primary Classes	19
C	NCLP Schools	Nil
D	School sanctioned with Kitchen cum Stores	Nil
E	Schools having Cook cum helpers engaged as per norm	51
11.	Number of schools visited by Nodal Officer of the Monitoring Institute	35
12.	Whether the draft report has been shared with the Director of the nodal department implementing MDMS : YES / NO	Yes
13.	After submission of the draft report to the Director of the nodal department implementing MDMS whether the MI has received any Observations from the Directorate : YES / NO	Awaited

Mid-Day Meal Scheme:

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(ii)	Period of Report	Oct 1 st , 2011 to March 31 st , 2012
(iii)	Name of District	Ganderbal
(iv)	Date of visit to district/school	May to July, 2012

•	<p>REGULARITY IN SERVING MEAL:</p> <p>Whether the school is serving hot cooked meal daily? If there was interruption, what was the extent and reasons for the same?</p> <p>In most of the schools Mid Day Meal is not served daily and there is an interruption of 15-20 days because of non availability of food grains. Only some schools have managed to provide MDM by either getting food grains on loan or by having buffer.</p>														
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	<i>delivering food grains, what is the extent of delay and reasons for the same?</i>
	MI observed that in most of the schools visited the school implementing agencies are not receiving food grains regularly. Grains are received with interruption because of non availability of food grains at Govt. ration depots. Extent of Delay varies from 10 to 15 days.
	Is buffer stock of one-month's requirement maintained?
	Buffer stock of one-month's requirement is not maintained in any of the visited schools.
	(ii) Is the quantity of food grain supplied as per the marked/indicated weight?
	Food grains supplied are as per marked weight.
	(iii) Is the food grain delivered at the school?
	As per the information received from MDM in-charge food grains are not delivered at school.
	(iv) Is the quality of food grain good?
	Quality of food grains supplied to the schools was found good.
•	REGULARITY IN DELIVERING COOKING COST TO SCHOOL LEVEL:
	(i) Is school/implementing agency receiving cooking cost in advance regularly? If there is delay in delivering cooking cost, what is the extent of delay and reasons for it?
	Cooking cost is not received regularly by the school/implementing agency. The extent of delay varies from 3 to 4 months as MDM funds are received by the schools when released from CEO's Office.
	(ii) In case of delay, how school/implementing agency manages to ensure that there is no disruption in the feeding programme?
	In 25% schools MDM in-charge with the help of school management committee ensures feeding of MDM to the students. Amount spent is either managed out of school grants or by the school staff. In Zone Hariganiwan and Tulmulla 50% of visited schools have not served MDM for 60 to 100 days.
	(iii) Is cooking cost paid by Cash or through banking channel?
	The cooking cost is paid through banking channel
•	SOCIAL EQUITY:
	i) Did you observe any gender or caste or community discrimination in cooking or serving or seating arrangements?
	All the children take meals together and at the same time. No discrimination was observed by MI personnel in serving or seating arrangements.
	ii) What is the system of serving and seating arrangements for eating?
	MDM is served either in the lawn or verandah of the school. In 40% of schools

	students take meals at a place of their liking in the lawn or at verandah. In 60% of visited schools students take meals in an orderly manner.
•	VARIETY OF MENU:
	i) Has the school displayed its weekly menu at a place noticeable to community, and is it able to adhere to the menu displayed?
	MI observed that only 6 schools displayed its weekly menu in the office. In 34 visited schools no weekly menu was available.
	ii) Who decides the menu?
	MDM in- charge decides the menu depending upon the availability of seasonal vegetables etc.
•	(i) Is there variety in the food served or is the same type of food served daily?
	All the visited schools serve variety of food as per the statement of the students. Eggs are also served occasionally.
	(ii) Does the daily menu include rice / wheat preparation, dal and vegetables?
	The daily menu includes rice with dal or vegetables, as per the statement of the children.
•	QUALITY & QUANTITY OF MEAL :
	Feedback from children on
	a) Quality of meal:
	a) Quality of meal was good in all the visited schools as reported by the students.
	b) Quantity of meal:
	b) Quantity of meals was sufficient as observed by MI on the day of visit and as reported by the students.
	c) {If children were not happy, please give reasons and suggestions to improve.}
	C) None of the children in any of the visited schools were unhappy with quantity or Quality of food served
•	SUPPLEMENTARY:
	Is there school Health Card maintained for each child?
	There is no health card maintained in any of the visited schools.
	(i) What is the frequency of health check-up?
	NA
	(ii) Whether children are given micronutrients (Iron, folic acid, vitamin – A dosage) and de-worming medicine periodically?

	Children are not given micronutrients or de-worming medicine in any of the visited schools. MDM in-charge or SMC is not even aware about such requirements.
	(iii) Who administers these medicines and at what frequency?
	NA
•	STATUS OF COOKS:
	(i) Who cooks and serves the meal? (Cook cum helper appointed by the Department/VEC/PRI/Self Help Group/ NGO/Contractor)
	Cook cum helper appointed by school management committee cooks the meal and with help of MDM in-charge it is served to the students.
	(ii) Is the number of cooks and helpers engaged in the school as per GOI norms?
	In 45% of school visited cooks and helpers engaged are as per GOI norms.
	(iii) What is remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers and mode of payment?
	Rs. 1000 is paid per month through banking channel.
	(iv) Is the remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers regularly?
	Cook cum helper are not being paid regularly due to late release of funds from CEO to ZEO office.
	(v) Specify the social Composition of cooks cum helpers? (SC/ST/OBC/Minority)
	Mostly cook cum helpers are from deprived sections of the society belonging to ST and OBC.
•	INFRASTRUCTURE:
	Is a pucca kitchen shed-cum-store:
	i) Constructed and in use
	In 32 visited schools pucca kitchen shed-cum-store were constructed and in use. In 07 visited schools MDM is cooked either in class room or on verandah of the school and in 01 visited school neither the kitchen shed nor any alternate arrangement is available in the school but food is cooked in the cook cum helper's kitchen which is nearby and served in the school.
	ii) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others
	SSA/MDM
	iii) Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using)
	N.A
	iv) Under construction
	Nil

	v) Sanctioned, but construction not started
	Nil
	vi) Not sanctioned
	vii) Any other (specify)
	Nil
•	In case the pucca kitchen shed is not available, where is the food being cooked and where the food grains /other ingredients are being stored?
	MDM is cooked either in class room or on verandah of the school wherever kitchen shed is not available. Ingredients are stored in one of the class rooms of the school.
•	Weather potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose?
	34 visited schools had tap water facility for drinking available in the school, but in 6 schools drinking water facility was not available.
•	Whether utensils are available for cooking food? If, available is it adequate?
	Adequate utensils are available for cooking in all the visited schools.
•	What is the kind of fuel used? (Gas based/firewood etc.)
	In almost all the visited schools L.P.G was used as fuel for cooking food.
•	SAFETY & HYGIENE:
	i. General Impression of the environment, safety and hygiene:
	In most of the schools (60%) hygiene was not up to the mark.
	ii. Are children encouraged to wash hands before and after eating
	Children are encouraged to wash hands before and after taking meals.
	iii. Do the children take meals in an orderly manner?
	In most of the visited schools it was observed by MI that children were made to take meals in an orderly manner.
	iv. Conservation of water?
	Students have no concept of conservation of water.
	v. Is the cooking process and storage of fuel safe, not posing any fire hazard?
	Cooking process and storage of fuel was found safe and it does not pose any fire hazard in the schools except where cooking was done in classroom as an alternate arrangement.
•	COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*:
	i) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily

	supervision, monitoring, participation.
	In 29 visited schools VEC members were reported to participate by supervising and monitoring MDM programme.
	ii) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?
	No such roster was maintained by community members for supervision of the MDM.
•	INSPECTION & SUPERVISION
	i) Has the mid day meal programme been inspected by any state / district / block level officers/officials?
	Mid Day Meal Programme is being inspected by representatives from Chief Education Office and Zonal Education Office occasionally.
	ii) The frequency of such inspections?
	The inspection by these representatives is made once in two months.
•	IMPACT
	Has the mid day meal improved the enrollment, attendance of children in school, any improvement in general well being, nutritional status of the children (to be verified from school record, discussion with students, teachers and parents. Is there any other incidental benefit to the children and school due to serving of mid-day-meal by VEC, PRI members?
	MDM has definitely improved the enrollment, attendance and general wellbeing of the children. In fact in most of the schools MDM is attraction for students to attend schools.

B. Any other issues relevant to MDM implementation

- Mid-Day-Meal Programme is hardly supervised by any State, District or Block Level officers. Supervision of Village Education Committees is not regular in the District. Thus the loopholes/shortcomings in the implementation of MDM never come to fore for the timely remedial measures.
- In-charge Teachers MDM have not received training on nutritional aspects of meals served to the students, besides they are ignorant about maintenance of health card for each child and administering de-worming medicines and micro nutrients.
- Roster was not displayed in almost all the schools. Menu is decided by in-charge MDM irrespective of the fact whether balanced diet is served or not, as they have no idea regarding balanced diet.
- MDM funds are not released in time due to which cooks have to wait for months together for their honorarium. Besides there is delay in serving of MDM in most of the schools.

- MDM in charge is wholly responsible for the implementation of MDM, due to which he is over burdened with this assignment and can't do justice with his teaching in the class rooms.

List of Visited Schools of District Ganderbal

Name of the School	Dise Code
1. Govt. Middle School, Margund – CAL	1502901
2. KGBV Satrina – KGBV	Not available
3. Boys Middle Kangan – CAL	Not available
4. Girls Middle School, Prang	1503801
5. Boys Middle School, Dulpora	1502803
6. Middle School, Arhama – NPEGEL	1500208
7. Boys Middle School, Haripora – CAL	1501901
8. Primary School, Chekiprang	1501403
9. Primary School, Pakhtoonpati	Not available
10. Girls Middle School, Hariganiwan	1400506
11. Middle School, Haqnar	1400202
12. Middle School, Gund	1400402
13. Primary School, Mudpora	1401009
14. Boys Middle School, Rayil	1401001
15. Boys Middle School, B.R.Pora	1303301
16. Primary School, B.R. Pora	1303302
17. Girls Primary School, Wahidpora	1303603
18. Boys Middle School, Wahidpora	1303601
19. Middle School, Lar	1302203
20. Middle School, Chanthan	1300901
21. KGBV, Chontewalivar	1301009
22. Middle School, Repore	1302801
23. Primary School, Latiwaza	1302401
24. Boys Middle School, Barsoo	1300601
25. Girls Middle School, Barsoo – NPEGEL	1300602
26. Middle School, Nawabadi	1305106
27. Middle School, Kurhama – NPEGEL	1302001
28. Boys Middle School, Saloora - CAL	1102702
29. Primary School, Karnai mohalla	1102705
30. Boys Primary School, Ghat Saloora	1103103

31.Primary School, Hajam Mohalla	1102601
32.Girls Middle School, Ganderbal	1102703
33.Boys Middle School, Harran	1101501
34.Girls Primary School, Harran	1101502
35.Boys Middle School, Hakim Gund	1101401
36.KGBV, Gutlibagh	1100305
37.Girls Primary School, Bamloora	1102801
38.Boys Primary School, Bamloora	1102706
39.Middle School, Mirpora	1100301
40.Girls Middle School, Nunner- NPEGEL, CAL	1102003

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II.	Period of Report	1 st Oct., 2011 to 31 st March, 2012
III.	Name of District	Kulgam.
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	Yes, schools are receiving food grains regularly but delay in delivering food grains has also been reported. Usually the delay is due to no availability of grains at food depots. This delay lasts for 2-3 months, but school authorities are managing the MDM.
	(ii) Is buffer stock of one-month's requirement maintained?
	Yes, buffer stock of one month's requirement is maintained.
	(iii) Is the food grain delivered at the school?
	No, food grains are being lifted from the food depot by the MDM in charge of the respective schools.
	(iv) Is the quality of food grains good?
	The food grains are of good quality as reported by VECs and teachers and M.I also found the same.
•	<p>REGULARITY IN DELIVERING COOKING COST TO SCHOOL LEVEL:</p> <p>(iv) Is school / implementing agency receiving cooking cost in advance regularly? If there is delay in delivering cooking cost, what is the extent of delay and reasons for it?</p>
	As reported by VECs and in charge MDM of respective schools, the schools are not receiving cooking cost in advance there is always delay of 3-4 months. This delay is due to late release of grants from District to zones and zones to schools.
	(v) In case of delay, how school/implementing agency manages to ensure that there is no disruption in the feeding programme?
	The school management committee manages by mutual contribution and ensure regular feeding programme in the schools. But as reported there has been interruption in serving MDM.
	(iii) Is cooking cost paid by Cash or through banking channel?
	As reported by VECs and cooks the cooking cost is paid by cash against a proper receipt. However directions have been passed by SSA authorities for releasing of cooking cost through banks.

•	SOCIAL EQUITY: i) Did you observe any gender or caste or community discrimination in cooking or serving or seating arrangements?
	<p>Not any kind of discrimination is observed on account of gender, caste and community in cooking, serving and seating arrangements while serving MDM to children.</p>
	ii) What is the system of serving and seating arrangements for eating?.
	<p>The food is served by the cook to the children one by one. The children take food in random at any place in the school premises.</p>
•	VARIETY OF MENU: iii) Has the school displayed its weekly menu at a place noticeable to community, and is it able to adhere to the menu displayed?
	<p>No such weekly menu was found displayed in any of schools on the noticeable place for community information.</p>
•	(ii) Who decides the menu?
	<p>The VECs are deciding the weekly menu of MDM.</p>
	(iii) Is there variety in the food served or is the same type of food served daily?
	<p>Variety of food is served in MDM every day.</p>
	(iv) Dose the daily menu include rice / wheat preparation, dal and vegetables?
	<p>Yes, the daily menu includes rice, dal, and vegetables etc.</p>
•	QUALITY & QUANTITY OF MEAL : Feedback from children on d) Quality of meal:
	<p>The children were satisfied with the quality of the meals and M.I also found it satisfactory during visits to schools.</p>
	e) Quantity of meal:
	<p>The children were happy on both quality and quantity of the meals served to them.</p>
	f) {If children were not happy, please give reasons and suggestions to improve.}
	<p style="text-align: center;">N. A</p>

•	SUPPLEMENTARY:
	(iv) Is there school Health Card maintained for each child?
	No such health card was found in any of the school.
	(v) What is the frequency of health check-up?
	As reported VEC;S no health check up's are conducted in the schools
	(vi) Whether children are given micronutrients (Iron, folic acid, vitamin – A dosage) and de-worming medicine periodically?
	As reported by the VEC's and DPO of the concerned District, no micro-nutrients (Iron, folic acid, and vitamins) and de-worming medicine are given to the children in any of the schools.
	Who administers these medicines and at what frequency?
	NA
•	STATUS OF COOKS:
	(vi) Who cooks and serves the meal? (Cook cum helper appointed by the Department/VEC/PRI/Self Help Group/ NGO/Contractor)
	An under privileged lady is engaged for cooking of M.D.M. by the VEC .
	(vii) Is the number of cooks and helpers engaged in the school as per GOI norms?
	only one cook is cooking M.D.M in the 95% of visited school having any enrollment but in some schools 2 cooks were also engaged
	(viii) What is remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers and mode of payment?
	In lump sum an amount of rupees one thousand is paid to a cook monthly through banking channels .
	(ix) Is the remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers regularly?
	there has always been delay in paying remuneration to the cooks due to late release of funds from SPD office.
	(x) Specify the social Composition of cooks cum helpers? (SC/ST/OBC/Minority)
	Most of the cooks belong to the BPL and ST families.
•	INFRASTRUCTURE:
	Is a pucks kitchen shed-cum-store:
	viii) Constructed and in use.
	About 55% of schools have pucca chicken shed constructed & 85% are in use
	ix) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others.
	The chicken sheds were constructed under SSA and MDM.

	x) Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using).
	About 15% of chicken sheds are either to be handed over to the schools or needs minor repairs .
	xi) Under construction.
	N,A
	xii) Sanctioned, but construction not started.
	N.A
	xiii) Not sanctioned.
	As reported about 50% of schools do not have pucca kitchen sheds because they have not been sanctioned as yet.
	(xi) Any other (specify).
	• In case the pucca kitchen shed is not available, where is the food being cooked and where are the foodgrains/other ingredients being stored.
	In the schools having no pucca chicken sheds the cooking & storage of grains is carried out one portion of the class room.
	• Whether potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose?
	In 70% of schools potable water was found available for cooking and drinking purpose
	• Whether utensils are available for cooking food? If, available is it adequate?
	Utensils for cooking MDM are available but inadequate.
	• What is the kind of fuel used? (Gas based/firewood etc.)
	In 90% of schools LPG is used as fuel while as 10% schools use fire wood.
	• SAFETY & HYGIENE:
	vi. General Impression of the environment, safety and hygiene:
	Safety, environment and hygiene is found good in all the schools
	vii. Are children encouraged to wash hands before and after eating.
	Yes, the children are encouraged to wash hands before and after eating meals
	viii. Do the children take meals in an orderly manner?
	The children take meals in an orderly manner.
	ix. Conservation of water?
	No concept of conservation of water is found among children .
	Is the cooking process and storage of fuel safe and not posing any fire hazard?
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17	COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*:

	iii) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily supervision, monitoring, participation.
	There is no participation by community or any other agency in MDM supervision and monitoring.
	iv) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?
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18	INSPECTION & SUPERVISION
	iii) Has the mid day meal programme been inspected by any state / district / block level officers/officials?
	In some zones concerned zonal education staff members are monitoring the MDM
	iv) The frequency of such inspections?
	The frequency is ones or twice in a year.
19	IMPACT
	Has the mid-day meal improved the enrollment, attendance of children in school, any improvement in general wellbeing, nutritional status of the children (to be verified from school record, discussion with students, teachers and parents. Is there any other incidental benefit to the children and school due to serving of mid-day-meal by VEC, PRI members?
	MDM programmer has improved enrollment in the schools & also providing nutritional requirements to the children. It has also inculcated ethics & values of brotherhood and & discipline among the children. There is dire need of constructing kitchen sheds in the schools and also ensure un interrupted release of cooking cost, honorarium to cooks and supply of grains.

B. Any other issues relevant to MDM implementation

There is a very good response by the community, parents, teachers & students with regard to MDM programme it has not only increased the enrolment but also developed the spirit of community involvement in the educational process .But a lot is yet to be done on account of proper implementation of the programme without any delay & continuous supervision is also to be ensured. The authorities must ensure the objective for which the programme is being implemented. There should be one person wholly & solely responsible for MDM programme in each school & not a teacher. Because a teacher if involved in MDM programme like lifting of grains, account of cooking charges etc is deviating him from his teaching work, as has been reported by all the teachers in the schools. There should be also a separate and well-furnished place for consumption of MDM. The HRD ministry should impress upon the state implementing agencies to take the MDM programme as an important and serious responsibility and also evolve a strong monitoring mechanism in the state. The state should also ensure accountability at all the levels especially at SPD and District level to make the MDM more effective, successful and result oriented.

List of Schools visited in District Kulgam.

S.No	Name of the School	DISE CODES
1.	M. S Waripora	0600901
2.	M.S Chakiwatoo	0700204
3.	M.S Palpora	1201301
4.	P.S Nagam	0703504
5.	M.S Rahpora	1203401
6.	P.S R.Payeen	1202803
7.	M.SMohipora	N.A
8.	G.M.S.Nilow (NPEGEL)	0901402
9.	M.S Mirhama	0903703
10.	P.S Wehibagh	1804802
11.	G.M.S Bongam (NPEGEL)	1004602
12.	G.M.S Poniwah. (CAL)	1001001
13.	M.S Konipora	1000501
14.	P.S Moshipora	1802302
15.	M.S Banimula (KGBV)	1003003
16.	B.P.S.Okay	0901701
17.	M.S. Hariweth (NPEGEL)	0902601
18.	P.S. Kralpora	1803603
19.	G.M.S. Mirhama	0903705
20.	G.H.S. Hablish	1800403
21.	M.S. Kadoora (CAL)	1801107
22.	G.M.S.Klam	N.A
23.	P.S. Guffan	1803501
24.	M.S.Hypora	1801732
25.	P.S Armpora	0602122
26.	M.S.Batpora	1203501
27.	M.S.Radwani	0120301
28.	G.M.S Bongam	0120801
29.	M.S. Nowpora (NPEGEL)	N.A
30.	M.S .Chakiwatoo (KGBV)	0700803
31.	P.S Nagam	0703504
32.	G.M.S Khrewn (CAL)	1201902
33.	M.S Palpora	1201301
34.	P.S Arimpora	0602122
35.	M.S.Okay	0901801
36.	M.S Chugalpora (NPEGEL)	0701501
37.	M.S Durhama	N.A
38.	M.S. Banimula	1003001
39.	G.M. S. Kulgam	1005001
40.	H.S. Sopat	0601502
41.	P.S. Naibasti Palnoo	1805702
42.	M.S Lagowpora	0704301

Mid-Day Meal Scheme:

(v)	Name of the monitoring Institution	J&KSRC, Kashmir University, Hazratbal
(vi)	Period of Report	OCT 1 ST 2011 TO MARCH 31 ST , 2012.
(vii)	Name of District	BANDIPORA
(viii)	Date of visit to district/school	May to July,2012

•	<p>REGULARITY IN SERVING MEAL: Whether the school is serving hot cooked meal daily? If there was interruption, what was the extent and reasons for the same?</p> <p>Hot cooked meals was regularly served in almost all the schools visited by MI. As per the reports MDM was interrupted during the month of March, 2012, due to non availability of food grains.</p>														
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•	<p>REGULARITY IN DELIVERING FOOD GRAINS TO SCHOOL LEVEL:</p> <p>(vi) <i>Is school/implementing agency receiving food grain regularly? If there is delay in delivering food grains, what is the extent of delay and reasons for the same?</i></p> <p>90% of the visited schools are receiving food grains regularly and 10% of the visited schools did not receive food grains even after a delay of more than one month. As per the reports many schools did not receive food grains due to non availability of the funds.</p>														

	(vii) Is buffer stock of one-month's requirement maintained?
	Buffer stock is maintained in almost all the visited schools.
	(viii) Is the quantity of food grains supplied as per the marked/indicated weight?
	The quantity of food grain supplied to the schools is as per the marked/indicated weight.
	(ix) Is the food grain delivered at the school?
	The food grain is not delivered at the schools, the teachers in charge MDM are lifting it from the concerned food stores.
	(x) Is the quality of food grain good?
	As per the observation the quality of food grains was found good in almost all the visited schools.
•	REGULARITY IN DELIVERING COOKING COST TO SCHOOL LEVEL:
	(vi) Is school/implementing agency receiving cooking cost in advance regularly? If there is delay in delivering cooking cost, what is the extent of delay and reasons for it?
	The school implementing agencies are not receiving cooking cost in advance at all. The schools are provided cooking cost after a delay of more than three months.
	(vii) In case of delay, how school/implementing agency manages to ensure that there is no disruption in the feeding programme?
	In case of delay the school staff manages to ensure the feeding programme by self contribution.
	(viii) Is cooking cost paid by Cash or through banking channel?
	The payment of cooking cost is made through banking channels.
•	SOCIAL EQUITY:
	i) Did you observe any gender or caste or community discrimination in cooking or serving or seating arrangements?
	As observed by MI there is no discrimination in cooking, serving or seating arrangements in the schools.
	ii) What is the system of serving and seating arrangements for eating?
	The MDM is served by the cooks to the children one by one in the classrooms, varandas and in the ground as per the availability of the space.
•	VARIETY OF MENU:
	iv) Has the school displayed its weekly menu at a place noticeable to community, and is it able to adhere to the menu displayed?
	Only few visited schools have displayed weekly menu in the Kitchen sheds but not at a

	place noticeable to the community.
	v) Who decides the menu?
	The menu is decided by the teacher in charge MDM of the schools.
•	(v) Is there variety in the food served or is the same type of food served daily?
	All the schools visited by MI are serving variety in the food served to the children.
	(vi) Does the daily menu include rice / wheat preparation, Dal and vegetables?
	The daily menu includes rice and one variety of vegetables and pulses like, nutria, potato, onion, cabbage, beans etc
•	QUALITY & QUANTITY OF MEAL :
	Feedback from children on
	g) Quality of meal:
	In almost all the visited schools the children were satisfactory with the quality of MDM served.
	h) Quantity of meal:
	In all the visited schools the children were satisfactory with the quantity of meals.
	i) {If children were not happy, please give reasons and suggestions to improve.}
•	SUPPLEMENTARY:
	Is there school Health Card maintained for each child?
	No school health card was maintained in any of the visited schools.
	(vii) What is the frequency of health check-up?
	No Health check-up was conducted in any of the visited schools during last six months.
	(viii) Whether children are given micronutrients (Iron, folic acid, vitamin – A dosage) and de-worming medicine periodically?
	No micronutrients and de-worming medicine was provided to the children periodically.
	(ix) Who administers these medicines and at what frequency?
	Not Applicable

•	STATUS OF COOKS:
	(xii) Who cooks and serves the meal? (Cook cum helper appointed by the Department/VEC/PRI/Self Help Group/ NGO/Contractor)
	Cook cum helper engaged by the Department/VEC, cooks and serves the meals.
	(xiii) Is the number of cooks and helpers engaged in the school as per GOI norms?
	The MI observed that more than 50% of the visited schools have the number of cooks and helpers engaged as per the GOI norms.
	(xiv) What is remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers and mode of payment?
	The remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers is Rs 1000 per month per cook and the payment is made through banking channels.
	(xv) Is the remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers regularly?
	The remuneration is not paid regularly to the cooks. They are receiving payment after a delay of more than five months.
	(xvi) Specify the social Composition of cooks cum helpers? (SC/ST/OBC/Minority)
	The composition of cooks cum helpers is ST,OBCs or women of BPL families.
•	INFRASTRUCTURE:
	Is a pucca kitchen shed-cum-store:
	xiv) Constructed and in use
	50% of the visited schools have pucca kitchen-cum-store constructed and in use.
	xv) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others
	The kitchen sheds are constructed under the MDM and SSA.
	xvi) Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using)
	As observed by MI 10% of the visited schools have kitchen shed but not in use due to minor repairs or unsafe structures.
	xvii) Under construction
	As reported by the concerned DPO there is no Kitchen shed under construction for the year 2011-12.
	xviii) Sanctioned, but construction not started.
	As reported by the concerned DPO there is no Kitchen shed sanctioned for the year 2011-12.
	xix) Not sanctioned
	As observed by MI 25% of the schools do not have kitchen sheds sanctioned.

	xx) Any other (specify)
	25% of visited schools were found without kitchen sheds which causes problems for storage of ingredients and cooking process.
•	In case the pucca kitchen shed is not available, where is the food being cooked and where the food grains /other ingredients are being stored?
	The MI observed that the schools without kitchen sheds are storing and cooking MDM in the classrooms, offices, and in the homes of the cooks.
•	Weather potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose?
	All the schools visited have portable water available for cooking and drinking purpose.
•	Whether utensils are available for cooking food? If, available is it adequate?
	The MI observed that all the schools have adequate utensils available for cooking food except few schools were rice bins and bun tons were not available for cooking.
•	What is the kind of fuel used? (Gas based/firewood etc.)
	75% schools are using LPG and 25% fire wood for cooking MDM.
•	SAFETY & HYGIENE:
	x. General Impression of the environment, safety and hygiene:
	All the schools visited by MI have satisfactory environment, safety and hygienic conditions except few schools were utensils were unhygienic.
	xi. Are children encouraged to wash hands before and after eating
	As observed by MI all the children are encouraged to wash hands before and after eating.
	xii. Do the children take meals in an orderly manner?
	All the children are taking meals in an orderly manner.
	xiii. Conservation of water?
	The MI observed that most of the school children are not maintaining the values of conservation of water.
	xiv. Is the cooking process and storage of fuel safe, not posing any fire hazard?
	All the schools visited by MI have the cooking process and storage of fuel safe and is not posing any threat of fire hazard.
•	COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*:
	v) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily supervision, monitoring, participation.
	Only VECs and surpanch in some of the schools are supervising and monitoring MDM programme in the schools but participation of parents is very less.
	vi) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?

	No roster is maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM in any of the schools.
•	INSPECTION & SUPERVISION
	v) Has the mid day meal programme been inspected by any state / district / block level officers/officials?
	As reported by the VECs the mid day meal programme is inspected by the district / block level officers/officials only once in last three months.
	vi) The frequency of such inspections?
	The frequency of such inspections of DPO officials is taking place once or twice a year.
•	IMPACT
	Has the mid day meal improved the enrollment, attendance of children in school, any improvement in general well being, nutritional status of the children (to be verified from school record, discussion with students, teachers and parents. Is there any other incidental benefit to the children and school due to serving of mid-day-meal by VEC, PRI members?
	As per the discussions held with the students teachers and parents of the school children the MDM scheme has considerably improved the enrollment, attendance nutritional status and general well being of the school going children particularly the children of the deprived sections of the societies like BPL families Gujars, pahri and the Hanji communities.

B. Any other issues relevant to MDM implementation.

The MI observed that the schools without Kitchen shed do not properly maintain the kitchen items like utensils food grains, and other items due to lack of the place. There is a need of orientation of the implementing agencies on the operation of MDM scheme as per norm.

Most of the visited schools have 100 and above enrollment but only one cook for cooking MDM due to which the MDM is served in time to the children. The VEC are almost nonfunctional in most of the schools due to which they are not realizing the role and responsibility in the scheme of SSA and MDM and therefore MDM implementation is not supervised or checked by the VEC regularly. In almost all the visited schools there is lack of coordination among the VECs, Parents and the School teachers and hence no regular meetings, discussions and resolutions are taking place for smooth operation of MDM in the schools. There is lack of awareness among the VECs, community and teachers about their role in implementation of SSA and MDM in the schools and therefore MDM is not regularly monitored, supervised or inspected by the VECs and the parents.

The schools do not consult VEC or Parents for preparation of weakly roaster for MDM of the schools. The statistical data of the children availing MDM, cash books and Registers are not updated and maintained properly. The monitoring mechanism of MDM is very poor in the district and the district, block and the village implementing agencies are not regularly supervising or monitoring the MDM operation.

List of Visited Schools of District Bandipora

S No.	Name of the School	DISE Code
1	KGBV Nowgam, Sumbal.	1903606
2	Boys Middle School Sumbal.	Not Available
3	GMS Nesbal Sumbal.	100107
4	BMS Shadipora, Payeen, Sumbal.	1902705
5	BMS Junction Mohalla Sumbal.	1903604
6	GPS Kunan Bandipora.	0103802
7	BMS Lawdara Bandipora.	Not Available
8	BMS Kunan Bandipora.	0103801
9	BMS Mirpora Arin, Bandipora.	Not Available
10	BMS Gamroo, Bandipora.	100202
11	GMS Gamroo, Bandipora.	0100201
12	KGBV, Quilmuqam Bandipora.	12110
13	GMS, Kehnusa Quilmuqam Bandipora	Not Available
14	BPS, Muqam Quilmuqam.	Not Available
15	GMS, Rather Mohalla, Kuloosa, Bandipora.	Not Available
16	BMS Kuloosa, Bandipora.	1404201
17	GMS, Gujjarpatti Quilmuqam.	Not Available
18	KGBV, Guraiz.	0802019
19	GMS, Markoot, Guraiz.	0802102
20	GMS Dawar, Guraiz.	0802005
21	MS, Badogam, Guraiz.	0800607
22	MS, Izmarg, Guraiz.	0802802
23	BMS, Baktore, Guraiz.	0802803
24	MS, Sardab Tulail, Guraiz.	0800701
25	MS, Zadigay, Guraiz.	0801901

26	MS, Khan Mohalla, Barnai, Guraiz.	Not Available
27	KGBV, Hajin, Bandipora.	Not Available
28	PMS, Masjid Mohalla, Naidkhai, Hajin	0900190
29	PMS, Ganai, Mohalla, Hajin.	0904424
30	PS, Tangbathu, Ajas, Hajin	0904407
31	GPS, Rakhi Hajin.	0903504
32	BPS, Cheki S.K. Bala.	0904704
33	PS, Kalwethpora, Hajin.	0904304
34	GPS, SK Payeen, Hajin.	0904302
35	PS, Mir Mohallah, Naidkhai, Hajin.	0900904
36	MS, Pathpora, Shahgund, Hajin.	0902102
37	BMS, Paribal, Hajin.	0902702
38	MS, Cheki Chanderpeer.	0903901
39	GMS, SK Bala, Hajin.	0904701
40	BMS, Chipazpora, Ajas, Hajin.	0904410
41	BMS, Rawathpora, Ajas, Hajin.	0904408
42	GMS, Matipora, Ajas, Hajin.	0904409
43	BMS, S.K. Payeen, Hajin.	0904301
