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Anita Karwal, IAS
Secretary

D.O. No. 14-5/2021-MDM-1-1 (EE.5) (Pt.1)



स्कूल शिक्षा और साक्षरता विभाग
शिक्षा मंत्रालय
भारत सरकार
Department of School Education & Literacy
Ministry of Education
Government of India
Dated the 9th September, 2021

Dear School Education Secretary,

Ministry of Education runs the largest school nutrition programme i.e. Mid Day Meal Scheme. Being a partner Ministry in POSHAN Abhiyaan, we are celebrating 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' during the month of September, 2021 by carrying out various activities in order to create a "Jan Aandolan" while adhering to COVID-19 protocols.

2. As a part of celebration of Poshan Maah, it is felt appropriate that every child may be encouraged to offer a nutritious meal to at least one child from the underprivileged sections of the society, living in their neighbourhood. This will not only help the child understand the nutritional levels in the society, but also imbibe a sense of social responsibility, inclusion and volunteerism. Towards this objective you are requested to please issue an advisory to all schools in your State / UT to organize such activities during 17th to 30th September, 2021 where children may share nutritious food with fellow children. You are also requested to share the information regarding the activities carried out (as already advised vide D.O. Letter dated 3rd September, 2021).

3. You are also requested to issue appropriate instructions to the concerned Directors/Commissioners of your department to earnestly carry out the envisaged activities as advised earlier and update the details regularly at '**Jan Andolan Dashboard**' (<http://poshanabhiyaan.gov.in>). Your active intervention shall be extremely helpful in engaging the children of the country with Poshan Maah, 2021, which is essential for its success.

Let us join hands to celebrate the true spirit of 'Rashtriya POSHAN Maah' involving the school children of this great nation. This would make them aware of significance of nutrition for a healthier life and motivate them towards the true spirit of sharing is caring.

Best wishes

Yours sincerely,

Anita Karwal
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To,

1. The Additional Chief Secretaries /Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of Education or the Nodal department for implementation of Mid- Day Meal Scheme in all States and UTs.
2. Director/Commissioners of MDM,