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

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi. Dated: 02nd March, 2021

To.

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

Subject: Permission for lifting/revalidation of food grains allocated for 3rd Quarter of financial year 2020-21 under MDM Scheme in respect of all States/UTs -reg.

Sir/Madam,

The Department of Food & Public Distribution (BP-II Section) vide their letter No. 4-2/2020-BP-II dated 26th February, 2021 (copy enclosed) has conveyed that the validity for lifting the allocated foodgrains under the scheme for 3rd quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from October- December, 2020 has since expired. However, due to disruptions on account of Covid-19 pandemic, some of the States/UTs could not lift the entire foodgrains which was allocated to them for the 3rd quarter of 2020-21. The Department of Food & Public Distribution conveys the approval to extend the validity period up to 31.03.2021 for depositing the cost and lifting of unlifted quantity of foodgrains for the 3rd Quarter of the year 2020-21 under the Mid Day Meal Scheme in respect of all States/UTs.

2. Accordingly, approval of Department of Food and Public Distribution is being conveyed to lift the unlifted quantity of foodgrains allocated for the 3rd Quarter of the year 2020-21 in respect of all States/UTs under the Mid Day Meal Scheme upto 31.03.2021.

Encl. as above

Yours faithfully,

(R.C. MEENA)
Joint Secretary (EE.1)

Tel. No. 011-23389247

Copy to:-

1. The Executive Director (Sales), Food Corporation of India, 16-20, Barakhamba Lane, New Delhi – 110 001 with the copy of the Department of Food & Public Distribution letter No. 4-2/2020-BP-II dated 26th February, 2021 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.

- 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 February, 2021.
- 3. Director(GVB)/ Director(RA)/ Deputy Secretary (DA)

4. US(AD) / US(SA) / US (AK)

(R.C. MEENA)

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कृषि अवन, नई दिल्ली दिनांक 28th August, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Allocation of food grains under Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDM) for the year 2020-21 for the period 01.10.2020 to 31.03.2021 - reg.

In continuation of this Department's O.M. of even number dated 24.02.2020 and in pursuance of O.M. No. 5-1/2020-Desk (MDM) dated 26.08.2020 of Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy on the above mentioned subject, the undersigned is directed to convey the approval of this Department for allocation of 1598991.38 MTs of foodgrains comprising 263509.39 MT of wheat and 1335481.99 MT of rice for 3rd and 4th quarters of 2020-21 (October, 2020 to March, 2021) to Ministry of Education, Department of school Education & Literacy at NFSA prices i.e. Rs. 2 per kg of wheat and Rs. 3 per kg of rice, under the Mid Day Meal (MDM) Scheme.

- 2. The validity period for lifting of foodgrains will be as per extant guidelines.
- 3. The Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy may communicate State-wise/UT-wise allocation of the allocated quantity of foodgrains to FCI and States/UTs well in time and ensure its lifting within the stipulated validity period by States/UTs.
- 4. Food Corporation of India (FCI) would issue rice and wheat as per State/UT-wise allocation for 3rd and 4th quarters of the year 2020-21 with monthly breakup to be made by the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education.
- 5. The Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy is also requested to furnish the consolidated Utilization Certificate in the prescribed pro forma GFR 19A duly signed by the concerned Director for the foodgrains allocated to them under Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDM) for the year 2020-21 at the end of the current financial year.
- 6. The Ministry of Education may ensure that FCI gets full payment in respect of food grains released by it to States/UTs under the Scheme & utilization certificates are furnished by the State/UT Governments to it in time. They are also requested to make payment of outstanding amounts to FCI without any delay, as FCI bears huge amount of interest on unpaid outstanding amount.

(राजेश कुमार वर्मा)

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Tele. No.- 23073798

To

D/o School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, (Kind Attention: Sh. Ajay Kumar, Under Secretary (MDM)) Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Copy for information to:-

- 1. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, FCI, New Delhi.
- 2. The General Manager (Sales), FCI, New Delhi.
- 3. US (Policy-III&IV)/BP-III/BP-I/US (FC A/cs)/Guard File.

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> कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली दिनांक 26th February, 2021

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 3rd 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 24.02.2021 (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 MDM scheme for 3rd quarter of year 2020-21 i.e. from October-December 2020 expired on 30.11.2020. However, due to disruptions on account of Covid-19 pandemic, some states/UTs could not lift the entire foodgrains which was allocated to them for the 3rd quarter of 2020-21. Accordingly, I am directed to convey the approval of this department to extend the validity period up to 31.03.2021 for depositing the cost and lifting of unlifted quantity of foodgrains for the 3rd quarter 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 $\underline{31.03.2021}$ under intimation to this department.

Encl: As above.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma)

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Under Secretary (MDM) (Sh. • M/o Education is requested to closely monitor the

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Ajay Kumar), Department of School Education & Literacy, M/o Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. programme. The programme is for school children and 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.