

2nd HALF YEARLY MONITORING REPORT OF STATE RESOURCE CENTRE On

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

Period: April 1st, 2012 to September 30th, 2012

District Covered

- 1. Budgam
- 2. Kupwara
- 3. Shopian

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MDM Report in hand has been prepared for the State of J&K (Kashmir province) for the Districts Budgam, Kupwara & Shopion. Period of the report is 1st April 1st, 2012 to September 31st, 2012. Implementation of MDM scheme has been monitored and data collected from 120 sample schools from 24 educational zones of 03 Districts. We hope that details of the findings /observation recorded in this report may prove useful for State Implementing Authority of Mid Day Meal Scheme in J&K and to the Central Govt.

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1. General Information

SI. No.	Information		Details	5	
1.	Name of the monitoring institute		tate Resou iversity of I		
2.	Period of the report	1 st April, 2012	to 30 th Sep	tember,20	12
3.	Fund Released for the period	232500 (pend	ling Rs 2325	500)25%of2	011-12
4.	No. of Districts allotted		03		
5.	Districts' name	Budga	am, Kupwar	ra, Shopian	
6.	Month of visit to the Districts/Schools (Information is to be given district wise i.e District 1, District 2, District 3 etc)	Budgam Kupwara Shopian	Sept to D		
7.	Total number of elementary schools (primary and upper primary to be counted separately) in the Districts Covered by MI (Information is to be given district wise i.e District 1, District 2, District 3 etc.)	Budgam Kupwara Shopian	Total 1142 1768 465	PS 716 979 336	UPS 426 789 129
8.	Number of elementary schools monitored (primary and upper primary to be counted separately) Information is to be given for district wise i.e. District 1, District 2, District 3 etc)	Budgam Kupwara Shopian	Total 40 40 40	PS 09 12 18	UPS 31 28 22
9.	What percentage of schools covered in all the Districts allotted:		3.55		
10.	Type of schools visited				
А	Schools in Rural Area		99		
a)	Primary School		34		
b)	Upper Primary School		09		
c)	Upper Primary Schools with Primary Classes		56		
В	Schools in Urban Areas		21		

d)	Primary School	09
e)	Upper Primary School	03
f)	Upper Primary Schools with Primary Classes	09
С	NCLP Schools	Nil
D	School sanctioned with Kitchen cum Stores	Nil
E	Schools having Cook cum helpers engaged as per norm	30
11.	Number of schools visited by Nodal Officer of the Monitoring Institute	39
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:

(i)	Name of the monitoring Institution	J& K State Resource Centre,
		University of Kashmir
(ii)	Period of Report	April 1 st , 2012 to Sept 30 th , 2012
(iii)	Name of District	Budgam
(iv)	Date of visit to district/school	Sept-Oct 2012

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?

At the time of visit hot cooked food was being served in almost all the visited schools except 2. But during the month of March and for almost 15 days in April MDM was not served due to the non availability of food grains.

TRENDS:

Extent of variation (As per school records vis-à-vis actual position/status on the day of visit)

No.	Details	
i.	Enrollment	
	2884	
ii.	No. of children opted for Mid Day Meal	
	All children enrolled (2884) opted for Mid Day Meal. Although there is no provision of serving MDM to nursery classes, the school authority still manage to provide MDM to them as well.	
iii.		
	During the visit to the schools 8 th class was already off for the preparation of final examination. That is why only 73.24% children were present on the day of visit.	
iv.	No. of children availing MDM as per MDM Register	
	As per MDM Register all enrolled children 2884 avail MDM.	
V.	No. of children actually availing MDM on the day of visit	
	Out of 40 visited schools, 1844 students were provided MDM during the days of visit.	
vi.	No. of children availed MDM on the previous day.	
	1758 Children availed MDM on the previous day	

REGULARITY IN DELIVERING FOOD GRAINS TO SCHOOL LEVEL:

(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?

As observed by MI as well as reported by school authority there was a delay of one and a half month during March and April in receiving food grains. After that no such delay or irregularity was reported except few occasional cases.

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. The food grains stored in the schools were reported to last for 10-15 days in case of any delay in receiving food grains

(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?

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 in all the visited schools.

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 not received by the schools soon after disbursement from CEO's Office to ZEO's Office.

(ii) In case of delay, how school/implementing agency manages to ensure that there is no disruption in the feeding programme?

In almost all the visited schools MDM is managed either by taking the required items on loan or is met out of school grants until the funds are released. The school authorities sometimes face hardships in managing MDM, which hampers MDM programme.

(iii) Is cooking cost paid by Cash or through banking channel?

The cooking cost is paid through banking channels.

• 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?

Children are made to sit on plastic mats spread over the lawn/verandah of the school for eating. In all the 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 all 40 visited schools do not display menu at a place noticeable to community. Only 29 schools displayed its weekly menu in the office and in 11 visited schools no weekly menu was available. ii) Who decides the menu? Principal, District Institute of Education Trainings (DIET) has set /decided menu for the all the schools serving MDM in the district. (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 and also as per the weekly menu displayed. 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 and as observed by MI during the days of visit. **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.} None of the children in any of the visited schools were unhappy with quantity or C) 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?

Department of Social welfare and some of the NGOs organized health checkups in some of the visited schools, but there is no role of NRHM in the health related issues of school children.

(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 requirement of the children.

(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 the visited schools cooks and helpers engaged are not 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 helpers are not being paid regularly due to late release of funds from CEO to ZEO office. There is a delay of 3-4 months in payment to cooks.

(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 34 visited schools pucca kitchen shed-cum-stores were constructed and in use. In 02 visited schools MDM is cooked either in class room or on verandah of the school and in 03 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. In 01school pucca Kitchen-shed-cum-store is constructed but not in use due to leakage in the roof.

ii) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others

	;	SSA/MDM
	iii)	Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using)
	leakage	In 01 school (MS Panchal Pathi) kitchen shed is constructed but not in use due to in the roof.
	iv) l	Under construction
		Nil
	v) :	Sanctioned, but construction not started
		Nil
	vi) I	Not sanctioned
		Nil
	vii) /	Any other (specify)
		Nil
•		the pucca kitchen shed is not available, where is the food being cooked and where grains /other ingredients are being stored?
	he	OM is cooked either in class room or on verandah of the school or cook cum lpers home wherever kitchen shed is not available. Ingredients are stored in one of class rooms of the school.
•	Weathe	r potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose?
		visited schools have tap water for drinking available in the school,02 schools have be and 09 schools have no drinking water facility available.
•	Whethe	r utensils are available for cooking food? If, available is it adequate?
	Ad	lequate utensils are available for cooking in all the visited schools except 05.
•	What is	the kind of fuel used? (Gas based/firewood etc.)
		uring the visit to the schools there was a shortage in the supply of L.P.G, so herever it was not available firewood was being used for cooking.
•	SAFET	Y & HYGIENE:
	i.	General impression of the environment, safety and hygiene:
		In most of the schools (70%) hygiene is not up to the mark.
	ii.	Are children encouraged to wash hands before and after eating
		Children have developed a habit of washing 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?

70% of students have 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 is safe and does not pose any fire hazard.

• COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*:

i) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily supervision, monitoring, participation.

In 20 visited schools VEC members were reported to participate in supervising and monitoring MDM programme.

ii) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?

No such roaster 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?

The scheme of MDM has improved the enrollment, attendance and general wellbeing of the children. In fact for very poor families school is the best place where their children are fed as well as get education.

List of Visited Schools of District Budgam

Name of the School		Dise Code
1. M.S. Pethdreygam	(Rented)	0901403
2. M.S. Banderpora		0901001
3. P.S. Mir Mohalla, Band	derpora	N.A
4. BMS Kremshora		0901201
5. GMS Kremshora	(Rented)	0901202
6. BMS Ichhikoot	(CAL)	0900501
7. BMS Razwen		N.A
8. GMS Razwen		1000302
9. BMS Panzen	(NPEGEL)	0602101
10.GMS Chadoora	(Urban, CAL)	0602302
11.BMS Zoohama, Chado	ora	0600102
12.MS Kralwari	(NPEGEL)	0601601
13.MS Batapora		0506310
14.M.S.Kothipora	(NPEGEL)	0502601
15.KGBV Rekh Shalina	(Rented)	N.A
16.M.S Yegbug		1102201
17.BMS Khansahib	(CAL)	1106701
18.GPS Zalla Mohalla		N.A
19.MS Panchal Bathi		N.A
20.KGBV Lanilan	(Rented)	1104102
21.GPS Arizal	(Forest Area)	1002202
22.GMS Rahkhai		1002701
23.M.S. Zempora		1003601
24.BMS Boarwah	(CAL)	1003604
25.PS Chanagund		1501101
26.KGBV Gigjipathri	(Forest Area)	N.A
27.MS Rakhaiee	(Forest Area,CAL)	0701803
28.BMS Cherarisharief		N.A
29.GPS Telwan		N.A
30.MS Gondipora		N.A
31.PS Arbal Sonpah		0304602
32.GPS Najan	(Rented)	N.A
33.BPS Najan	(Rented)	N.A

34.GMS Khatruna		N.A
35.GMS Sonpah	(CAL)	N.A
36.BMS Beerwah		0305501
37.GMS Punch Gund		0300903
38.MS Chandapora	(NPEGEL)	1704201
39.PS Karipora	(Urban)	N.A
40.BMS Budgam	(Urban)	0102201

Mid-Day Meal Scheme:

(i)	Name of the monitoring Institution	J& K State Resource Centre,
		University of Kashmir
(ii)	Period of Report	April 1 st , 2012 to Sept 30 th , 2012
(iii)	Name of District	Kupwara
(iv)	Date of visit to district/school	Sept-Oct 2012

• 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?

The schools are providing hot cooked meal daily to the children in all the visited schools as reported by VECs and observed from records but there is an interruption of 5-10 days because of non availability of cooking gas..

• TRENDS:

Extent of variation (As per school records vis-à-vis actual position/status on the day of visit)

No.	Details
vii.	Enrollment
	In all the 40 schools visited by M.I, the total enrollment is 3847 ,boys 1868 and
viii.	girls 1979 at primary & upper primary level . No. of children opted for Mid Day Meal
	All the children (3847) opted for M.D.M. as reflected in MDM register.
ix.	No. of children attending the school on the day of visit.
	During monitoring process about 80% children were found present & total attendance calculated as 3068
X.	No. of children availing MDM as per MDM Register.
	All the enrolled children from K.G to class 8 TH are availing MDM daily as recorded in MDM register and the total children availing MDM is 3847.
xi.	
	In 40 visited schools total no of children availing MDM was 3068 the variation in total enrollment and no of children availed MDM is due to examination of higher

	classes.	
xii.	No. of children availed MDM on the previous day.	
	3061 children availed MDM on the previous day as per the MDM register.	

• REGULARITY IN DELIVERING FOOD GRAINS TO SCHOOL LEVEL:

(v) 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?

Schools are receiving food grains irregularly. Usually the delay is due to no availability of grains at food depots which delay for1- 2 months. But school authorities are managing the regularity in MDM without any interruption..

(ii) Is buffer stock of one-month's requirement maintained?

Buffer stock of one month's requirement is maintained.

(iii) Is the food grain delivered at the school?

Food grains are being lifted from the food deport 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 as observed by M I.

REGULARITY IN DELIVERING COOKING COST TO SCHOOL LEVEL:

(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?

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 3-6 months. This delay is due to late release of grants from SPD,s office to Districts and 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 or barrowing from the concerned shops and ensure regular feeding programme in the schools. But as reported sometimes there has been interruption in serving MDM due to non availability of food grains.

(iii) Is cooking cost paid by Cash or through banking channel?

As reported by SMCs and cooks 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?
No discrimination is observed on account of gender, caste and community in cooking serving and seating arrangements while serving MDM to children.
ii) What is the system of serving and seating arrangements for eating?.
The food is served by the cook to the children one by one with the help of teacher in charge MDM. The children take food in random at any place in the school premises.
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?
No such weekly menu was found displayed in any of schools on the noticeable place for community information, though 60% of schools had MDM menu prepared and available in the schools.
(ii) Who decides the menu?
The teacher in charge MDM is deciding the weekly menu of MDM.
(iii) Is there variety in the food served or is the same type of food served daily?
Variety of food is served as reflected in the MDM menu
(iv) Dose the daily menu include rice / wheat preparation, dal and vegetables?
The daily menu includes rice, dal, and vegetables etc.
QUALITY & QUANTITY OF MEAL :
Feedback from children on
d) Quality of meal:
The children were satisfied with the quality of the meals and M.I also found satisfactory during visits to schools.
e) Quantity of meal:
The children were happy on both quality and quantity of the meals served to them.
f) {If children were not happy, please give reasons and suggestions to

ı	improve.}
	N. A
•	SUPPLEMENTARY:
	(iv) Is there school Health Card maintained for each child?
	No such health card was found in any of the visited school.
	(v) What is the frequency of health check-up?
	As reported by 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
	(vi) 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 school cooks and serves MDM.
	(vii) Is the number of cooks and helpers engaged in the school as per GOI norms?
	only one cook is cooking MDM in 95% of visited school irrespective of the enrollment, and 05% schools have 2 cooks engaged.
	(viii) What is remuneration paid to cooks cum helpers and mode of payment?
	An amount of rupees one thousand is paid to a cook per month 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. In visited schools this delay was reported for 3 to 5 months.
	(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.

Out of 40 visited schools only 24 schools have pucca chicken shed constructed & in use. ix) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others. The kitchen sheds were constructed under SSA and MDM. x) Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using). About 10% of kitchen 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 Not sanctioned. xiii) As reported 16 schools do not have pucca kitchen sheds because they have not been sanctioned as yet. Plan for the same has been forwarded to the SPD office for sanction. (xi) Any other (specify). Due to non availability of kitchen sheds in the schools there are problems of storing grains, utensils and cooking process. The schools needs immediately pucca kitchen sheds. 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 in one portion of the class room. Whether potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose? In 95% 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 all the visited schools LPG is used as fuel for cooking MDM. **SAFETY & HYGIENE:** General Impression of the environment, safety and hygiene: Safety, environment and hygiene is found good in all the visited schools but still needs improvement. Are children encouraged to wash hands before and after eating. vii. 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 cond	cept of conservation of water is found among children.	
	Is the cooking process and storage of fuel safe and not posing any fire hazard?		
	The coo	king process & storage of fuel is safe and not posing any fire hazard.	
17	COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*: iii) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily supervision, monitoring, participation.		
	There is monitori	s no participation by community or any other agency in MDM supervision and	
	iv) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?		
	No r	oster is being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM	
18	iii) Has the mid day meal programme been inspected by any state / district / block level officers/officials?		
	In some	e zones concerned zonal education staff members are monitoring the MDM.	
	iv) The frequency of such inspections?		
	The free	quency is once or twice in a quarter.	
19	IMPACT	Γ	
	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?		

List of Schools visited in District Kupwara.

S.No	Name of the School	DISE CODES
1.	M. S Meelyal	0302401
2.	M.S Kralpora. (KGBV)	0301801
3.	M.S Narizab Kalaroos	0700921
4.	P.S Lasipora	0800202
5.	M.S poshpora	0400802
6.	P.S Bomdogar	1202803
7.	M.S Waterkhni	0900902
8.	B.M.S.Kunan (NPEGEL)	0400701
9.	M.S Wavoora	0802104
10.	P.S Mushkijal	0700103
11.	B.M.S Meelyal (NPEGEL)	1004602
12.	G.M.S Drugmulla . (CAL)	0900205
13.	M.S Mukam	1204303
14.	P.S Shisharmal	N.A
15.	M.S Gundchobotra (KGBV)	0302401
16.	U.P.S.Chabran	0401403
17.	U.P.S. Kralgund (NPEGEL)	1203501
18.	P.S. Arambagh	0500401
19	G.M.S. Baderhar (KGBV)	0709404
20.	B.M.S. Alachizab	0401101
21.	M.S. Dooniwari (CAL)	1801107
22.	B.M.S. Arampora	N.A
23.	P.S. Patroo	0300803
24	G.M.S.Potshay (KGBV)	0802005
25	U.P.S Renetpora	0302301
26	M.S.N ahama	1203601
27	G.M.S.Bomdogar	N.A
28	B.M.S Bondmohalla	0900201
29	U.P.S. Batergam (NPEGEL)	0502702
30	M.S . Alachizab (KGBV)	0401803
31	U.P.S Rashanpora	0300101
32	B.M.S Kalaroos (CAL)	0700213
33	U.P.S Changdi	0700404
34	U.P.S Hiri (Bala)	0400604
35	B.M.S.Sulkoot (CAL)	0500201
36	B.M.S Madmador	0700903
37	B.M.S Bumpora	N.A
38	U.P.S. Rawalpora	1204501
39	U.P S.Bohipora (CAL)	N.A
40	U.P.S. Chakihatmulla	0900401

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 3I ST , 2012.
(vii)	Name of District	SHOPIAN
(viii	Date of visit to district/school	Sept-Oct, 2012

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?

Hot cooked meal was daily served in 29 schools out of 40 visited schools. There was interruption in serving MDM in 11 schools for 16 days during the month of March 2012 & August 2012, due to non availability of food grains in the Depots.

TRENDS:

Extent of variation (As per school records vis-à-vis actual position/status on the day of visit)

No.	Details		
xiii.	Enrollment		
	The total enrollment in 40 visited schools is 2888		
xiv.	v. No. of children opted for Mid Day Meal		
	All the enrolled children opted for Mid Day Meals.		
XV.	No. of children attending the school on the day of visit		
	1924 out of 2888 children in 40 visited schools attended the school.		
xvi.	No. of children availing MDM as per MDM Register		
	All the children enrolled from 1 st to 8 th are availing MDM as per the MDM Register in 40 visited schools. It was observed that the schools are providing MDM to the children enrolled in KG classes also out of their local funds.		
xvii.	No. of children actually availing MDM on the day of visit		
	1912 children availed MDM on the day of visit while as 1924 children where present on the day of visit and a variation of 12 children was found between attendance and MDM Register record.		
xviii.	No. of children availed MDM on the previous day.		
	2055		

REGULARITY IN DELIVERING FOOD GRAINS TO SCHOOL LEVEL:

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?

60% of the visited schools are receiving food grains regularly and 40% schools receive food grains after a delay of 30 days. The main reasons for the delay is non availability of food grains.

(vi) Is buffer stock of one-month's requirement maintained?

Buffer stock of one months requirement is not maintained.

(vii) Is the quantity of food grains supplied as per the marked/indicated weight?

In visited schools the quantity of food grain supplied is as per the marked/indicated weight.

(viii) Is the food grain delivered at the school?

The food grain is not delivered at the schools. The teachers in charge MDM are lifting food grains from the concerned food supply Depots.

(ix) Is the quality of food grain good?

The quality of food grains was found good in 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 schools visited by MI are not receiving cooking cost in advance. As reported by the district authorities the funds for cooking cost are received by the district authority late which further adds to the delay in issuance of funds to zones/ schools. Cooking cost was received by the schools after a delay of four 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 management committee manages to ensure the feeding programme by self contribution and on loan basis.

(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 among the children 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 to the children one by one and sit on the mats in the classrooms, school veranda or on the ground.

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?

School management committees do not display weakly menu at a noticeable place. The schools are displaying MDM menu in the Kitchen sheds or in the classrooms of the schools and is able to adhere to the weakly menu.

v) Who decides the menu?

The MDM menu is unanimously decided by the school management committee 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 varieties of vegetables and dals to the children.

(vi) Does the daily menu include rice / wheat preparation, Dal and vegetables?

The daily menu includes rice and one or mixed variety of vegetables or dal. The schools are also serving cheese once a week.

QUALITY & QUANTITY OF MEAL :

Feedback from children on

g) Quality of meal:

In almost all the visited schools the children are satisfied with the quality of MDM served except one schools (GPS Heerpora Shopian) where the children were not satisfied with the quality of MDM served to them.

h) Quantity of meal:

In all the visited schools the children are satisfied with the quantity of meals.

i) {If children were not happy, please give reasons and suggestions to improve.}

NA

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Is there school Health Card maintained for each child?

No school health card was maintained in any of the 40 visited schools.

(vii) What is the frequency of health check-up?

No Health check-up was organized 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 in any of the schools.

(ix) Who administers these medicines and at what frequency?

NΑ

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 34 schools have engaged cooks as per the norm and 06 schools have the number of cooks and helpers engaged as per the GOI norm.

(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?

In almost all the schools the remuneration is paid irregularly to the cooks. Cooks are paid after a delay of more than four-five months.

(xvi) Specify the social Composition of cooks cum helpers? (SC/ST/OBC/Minority)

The cooks cum helpers engaged in schools mostly belong to ST,BPLor OBCcategory.

• INFRASTRUCTURE:

Is a pucca kitchen shed-cum-store:

xiv) Constructed and in use

22 out of 40 schools visited have pucca kitchen-cum-store constructed and in use and 18 schools do not have kitchen sheds.

xv) Scheme under which Kitchen sheds constructed -MDM/SSA/Others

The kitchen sheds have been constructed under the MDM and SSA.

xvi) Constructed but not in use (Reasons for not using)

As observed by MI only 02 of the visited schools have kitchen shed but not in use due to minor repairs or broken doors and windows.

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 are 150 Kitchen sheds sanctioned for the district for the year 2011-12 but construction has not been started as yet.

xix) Not sanctioned

As observed by MI 15% of the schools visited do not have kitchen sheds sanctioned.

xx) 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?

AS observed schools without kitchen sheds are facing the problem of storing food grains and the same is being stored in classrooms. MDM is cooked in the corner of a class room or in the home of the cook.

Weather potable water is available for cooking and drinking purpose?

All the schools visited have tap water or stream water available for cooking and drinking purpose.

Whether utensils are available for cooking food? If, available is it adequate?

The MI observed that 30% of the schools have inadequate utensils like rice bins, bun tons, rice cookers, and other kitchen items for cooking food.

• What is the kind of fuel used? (Gas based/firewood etc.)

60% schools are using LPG and 40% schools are using 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 some schools in rented rooms where environment and hygiene is poor.

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 food.

xii. Do the children take meals in an orderly manner?

All the school children are taking meals in an orderly manner.

xiii. Conservation of water?

Almost all the school children are aware of conservation of water.

xiv. Is the cooking process and storage of fuel safe, and 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 etc.

• COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND AWARENESS*:

v) Extent of participation by Parents / VECs / Panchayats / Urban bodies in daily supervision, monitoring, participation.

VECs and surpanch in few schools are supervising and monitoring MDM programme in the schools while as the participation of parents and community members is almost nil.

vi) Is any roster being maintained by the community members for supervision of the MDM?

NA

INSPECTION & SUPERVISION

v) Has the mid day meal programme been inspected by any state / district / block level officers/officials?

As reported by the teachers the Block level and district level officers are inspecting and visiting the schools on sample basis occasionally.

vi) The frequency of such inspections?

The frequency of such inspections is occasional.

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 in schools, attendance and nutritional status o BPL children and the general well being of all the school going children particularly the children of the deprived sections like ST and other backward communities.

List of Visited Schools of District SHOPIAN

S No.	Name of the School	DISE Code
1	Middle School Borihalan Bala Shopian (CAL)	0900401
2	Middle School Payeen Shopian (NPEGEL)	0900402
3	Girls Primary School Heerpora (CWSN)	10186013
4	KGBV Shopian	Not Available
5	Primary School Mashwara	0400701
6	Middle School Chanchmarg, Shopian (CWSN)	0902506
7	Middle School Pehlipora Shopian	0403001
8	Girls Primary School B-Keller (CWSN)	0406301
9	Middle School Chowan Keller, (CAL)	0402601
10	Primary School Kashmir Basti Zampathri	0402703
11	Middle School Zampathri (CWSN)	0402701
12	Primary School Vishroo A, Keygam	0400801
13	Primary School Aram Mohalla Safanagri	Not Available
14	Middle School Safanagri, Imamsahib	0208601
15	Girls Middle School Hillow (CWSN)	0204701
16	Girls Middle School Zainpora (NPEGEL)	0210401
17	Boys Middle School Zainpora Shopian (CWSN)	0210402
18	Girls Primary School Babapora Shopian	0200801
19	Primary School Herdinderpora Vehil	1202703
20	Girls Middle School Ranipora, Vehil	1201301
21	Grils Middle School Vehil (NPEGEL) (CAL)	1202701
22	Primary School Vehil	1202702
23	Primary School Chatwatan, Shopian	1205501
24	Middle School Zaipora, Vehil (CIVIL WORK)	1201501
25	Primary School Pratap pora, Vehil (CIVIL WORK)	1201601
26	Primary School Kamal Mohalla Sedaw (CIVIL WORK)	0903303
27	Primary School Chechi Mohalla, Chak Saidpora	Not Available
28	Boys Middle School Sedaw, Shopian	0903301
29	Primary School Pastoo Chak Sayedpora, Shopian	0900601
30	Girls Primary School Sheikh Mohalla Chek Saidpora	Not Available
31	Primary School Toolihalan Heerpora, Shopian	0901455
32	Boys Middle School Shopian	Not Available
33	Primary School Malik Mohalla Shopian	0904502

34	Middle School Arhama Shopian (CWSN)	0900202
35	Primary School Heerpora	0904503
36	Boys Primary School Babapora Shopian	09040601
37	Primary School Jan Mohalla, Shopian	0904101
38	Boys Primary School Bonagam	0904301
39	Girls Middle School Tang Mohalla Shopian	0903901
40	Boys Primary School Heergam Kanipora	0903703

General Observations

- MDM logo is not displayed in any of the visited schools through out Kashmir Division
- 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.
- In district Budgam menu has been set/decided by principal District Institute of Education and training (DIET) for the District. Principal has no such expertise
- There is interruption in serving MDM in some of the schools visited due to non availability of food grains in government ration depots.
- Teacher in-charge MDM is engaged in lifting of grains from ration depot, account keeping etc. thus deviates from his teaching work, as has been reported by all the teachers in the schools.
- There should be a separate and a furnished place for consumption of MDM.
- The state implementing agencies must evolve a strong monitoring mechanism in the state to monitor and supervise MDM scheme in the state.
- The state should also ensure accountability at all the levels especially at SPD and District level to make the implementation of MDM scheme more effective, successful and result oriented.
- The SMC is ignorant about maintenance of health card for each child and administering de-worming medicines and micro nutrients.
- Funds for the honorarium are not released in time due to which cooks have to wait for months together for their honorarium.
- Funds for the cooking cost were released after a delay of 3-4 months in all the three visited Districts, which hampers the serving of MDM to the students.
- Schools without kitchen sheds are facing problem of storage of food grains, ingredients, utensils and other required items.
