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D.O. No. 4-3/2018-MDM-1-1(EE-5)
 Dated the 8th August, 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am enclosing a self-explanatory D.O. letter from Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, regarding inclusion of milk and milk products from Cooperative Milk Union/Milk Federations through school network under Mid-day Meal scheme.

2. This is for information and action as appropriate.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(V. Shashank Shekhar)

Chief Secretaries of States/Administrators of UTs

Copy to: Administrative Heads of Education Departments in States/UTs

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Dear Sir,

You may be aware that the Indian Dairy sector is presently experiencing unprecedented crisis in disposal of surplus milk production and thereby ensuring regular payments to the farmers. Higher growth in milk production coupled with low export opportunity has resulted in piling up of huge stock of Skimmed Milk Powder and White butter. This coupled with the constraints of increasing domestic sale in a short period of time has aggravated the distress faced by the farmers.

2. The issue was taken up with your Department in which my predecessor wrote a letter on 26th December 2017 to include milk and milk products in the recipe of food basket used to supply to schools under Mid-day meal programme. This Department also took up the matter with Chief Secretaries of all States on 15th December 2017 and requested to supply milk and milk products through school network under Mid-day meal programme. The States of Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Pondicherry and Gujarat have confirmed that they are supplying milk through school network. But, some of the States with higher quantity of surplus stocks of milk powder like Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Punjab are yet to make a decision in this regard.

3. You would agree that milk is a complete food and inclusion in the recipe of nutritional programme implemented by your Ministry will go a long way not only in paying regular and remunerative prices to the 17 million cooperative farmers but also to address nutritional requirements of millions of children who face malnutrition.

4. I would appreciate if your Department could urgently issue necessary directives to all States/UTs to include milk and milk products from cooperative milk unions/federations through school network under Mid-day meal programme..

Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Tarun Shridhar)

15.6.2018

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