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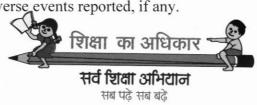
D.O. No. 4-2/2017-MDM- 1-1 (EE.5)

Dated the 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, Govt. of India through Ministry of Health & Family Welfare observes February 10th and August 10th each year as National Deworming Day. All children and adolescents between the ages of (1 - 19 years) are dewormed at schools and anganwadi centres. The NDD programme is implemented with joint collaboration between the Ministries of Health and Family Welfare (Nodal Ministry), Human Resource Development and Women and Child Development. The distribution of deworming medicine may be done in convergence with State/UT Health Department. In this regard, please find enclosed herewith a copy of the letter dated 14th January, 2019 from Secretary, D/o Health and Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.

- I shall be grateful if your State/UT could participate in the planning, implementation and monitoring activity during the upcoming NDD campaign on the following key areas:
  - i. Involvement of all govt. and govt. aided schools including Kendriya Vidyalaya, Navodaya Vidyalaya, Madrasa, Sanskrit Schools along with private schools in implementations of NDD.
  - ii. Providing data on out of school children for all the States/UTs and state specific strategies to reach these children who are at higher risk due to their vulnerability.
  - iii. Placing requisite indent for Albendazole tablet supply to the Department of Health and Family Welfare based on census population of the school age group.
  - Training the teachers to administer the deworming drugs at schools and anganwadi iv. centres (for out of school children) in convergence with Department of Health and Family Welfare and brief them on possible adverse events and their management.
  - Dissemination of IEC material to all schools, including community mobilization V. activities through School Management Committees.
  - Department officials should be encouraged to undertake field visit for monitoring vi. and supportive supervision.
  - vii. Coverage data to be reported to the Department of health and Family Welfare in standardized formats within specified timelines.
  - viii. It will be a great opportunity if the platform of MDM can be leveraged to get deworming coverage on real time basis. Existing SMS service of MDM platform could be used to collect NDD coverage data from schools.
  - For NDD and Mop up Day (MDU) the following messages may also be included ix. in the daily reporting mechanism of Mid Day meal (MDM):
    - a. Number of children dewormed
    - b. Number of adverse events reported, if any.



3. I appreciate your passion for work and your cooperation in making the NDD a successful implementation in your State/UT.

With regards

Encl: As above

Yours sincerely,

(R.C. MEENA)

To,

The Education Secretaries of all States and UTs

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D.O.No. Z.28020/30/2017-CH Dated: 14th January, 2019

As you are aware, The National Deworming Day (NDD) is observed on February 10 and August 10 each year, when all children and adolescents between the ages of (1-19 years) are dewormed at schools and anganwadi centres. The NDD program is implemented with joint collaboration between the ministries of Health and Family Welfare (nodal ministry), Human Resource Development and Women and Child Development. Other ministries of Panchayati Raj, Tribal Welfare and Drinking Water and Sanitation participate and contribute to the program efforts by reaching all children for a high quality and high coverage program.

While undertaking such a mammoth task, I look forward to your support and firmly believe that together we will be able to ensure a high quality NDD. Your cooperation and sustained efforts towards the reduction of STH infection is sincerely appreciated. Since teachers have considerable influence on the children and local community, their involvement is crucial for the success of NDD campaign across the country.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development may please issue instructions to the State Governments for participation in the planning, implementation and monitoring activity during the upcoming NDD campaign on the following key areas:

- 1. Involvement of all govt. and govt. aided schools including Kendriya Vidyalaya, Navodaya Vidyalaya, Madrasa, Sanskrit Schools along with private schools in implementation of NDD
- 2. Providing data on out of school children for all the States/UTs, and state specific strategies to reach these children who are at higher risk due to their vulnerability
- 3. Placing requisite indent for Albendazole tablet supply to the Department of Health and Family Welfare based on census population of the school age
- 4. Training the teachers to administer the deworming drugs at schools and anganwadi centres (for out of school children) in convergence with

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- 5. Dissemination of IEC material to all schools, including community mobilization activities through School Management Committees.
- 6. Department officials should be encouraged to undertake field visits for monitoring and supportive supervision
- 7. Coverage data to be reported to the Department of Health and Family welfare in standardized formats within specified timelines
- 8. It will be a great opportunity if the platform of MDM can be leveraged to get deworming coverage on real time basis. Existing SMS service of MDM platform could be used to collect NDD coverage data from schools
- 9. For NDD and Mop up Day (MUD) the following messages may also be included in the daily reporting mechanism of Mid-day Meal (MDM):
  - i. Number of children dewormed
  - ii. Number of adverse events reported, if any.

I look forward to your kind support for the upcoming NDD programme.

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