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

Dated the 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you're aware, Govt. of India through Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and with implementation support from the Ministry of Women and Child Development and Department of School Education and Literacy has launched the National Deworming Day (NDD) in 2015. The NDD rounds will be implemented on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 and 10<sup>th</sup>August, 2020. All children and adolescents between the ages of 1 – 19 years are dewormed at schools and anganwadi centres. The distribution of deworming tablets is to be done through the platform of schools (including junior colleges, technical institutes, polytechniques) and anganwadi centres. In this regard, please find enclosed herewith a copy of the DO letter (copy enclosed) dated 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 jointly signed by Secretary, M/o Health & Family Welfare, Secretary, D/o School Education & Literacy and Secretary, M/o Women & Child Development alongwith directives to all States/UTs as per the activities mentioned in Annexure – I (copy enclosed).

2. Reaching the out of school children and adolescents, as well as children unregistered in Anganwadi Centres have been a challenge in the past rounds, therefore it is suggested to formulate State specific strategies for reaching these children and adolescents with involvement of other stakeholders. I shall be grateful if your State/UT could participate in the planning, implementation and monitoring activity during the upcoming NDD campaign and building a wormfree future for our children.

3. I would, therefore, request your support and cooperation for successful implementation of programme in your State/UT.

With regards

Encl: As above

Yours sincerely,

(R.C. MEENA)

The Education Secretaries/ Nodal Officer for Mid Day Meal in all the States/UTs.





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### New Delhi Dated: 27 January 2020

Ms. Preeti Sudan Secretary M/o Health and Family Welfare Shri Amit Khare Secretary D/o School Education and Literacy

# Shri Rabindra Panwar

Secretary M/o Women and Child Development

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

The Government of India is committed towards a worm-free future for the children of India. In order to reduce the load of intestinal worms and related morbidity in the country, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare with implementation support from the Ministry of Women and Child Development (WCD) and Department of School Education and Literacy under the Ministry of HRD has launched the National Deworming Day (NDD) in 2015. On this single fixed day program all children and adolescents from 1-19 years of age are given deworming tablet through the platform of schools (including junior colleges, technical institutes, polytechniques) and anganwadi centres.

While there have been significant progress in bringing down worm prevalence as observed in recently concluded prevalence surveys led by the National Centre for Disease Control and other technical assistance partners, moving further, this momentum for NDD rounds in 2020 needs to continue to sustain the gain we have made so far. The NDD rounds will be implemented on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Concerted efforts from all the departments at the State, District and Block level are required to ensure effective high quality implementation and increased coverage of the program.

As reaching the out of school children and adolescents as well as children unregistered in Anganwadi Centres has been a challenge in the past rounds, it is suggested to formulate State specific strategies for reaching these children and adolescents with involvement of other concerned stakeholders. We request you to issue directives to the concerned departments of the State Government as per the activities highlighted in annexure-I.

We look forward to your support and cooperation for successful implementation of the programme and building a wormfree future for our children.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Preeti Sudan)

(Amit Khare)

(Rabindra Panwar)

To, Chief Secretary of all States/UTs Copy to:-

- Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries of all States/UTs (Department of Health, School Education and Women & Child Development)
- Mission Directors of all States/UTs
- 3. Proejct Directors, Samagra Siksha Abhiyan of all States/UTs

## Annexure-I:

The specific activites to be undertaken for successful NDD implementation are as follows:

- All the key stakeholder departments to coordinate with Department of Health in effective rolling out of NDD
- Establishment of State and District level coordination committees to be chaired by the Principal Secretary Health/MD NHM and the District Collector respectively
- 3. Department of School Education and Women & Child Development to provide the numbers proceed of target age group to Department of Health for covering all children and adolescents in 1-19 years age as per the category outlined in the operational guidelines. This is to ensure adequate procurement and supply of Albendazole tablets is made available for conducting NDD and strategies to reach all children are in place.
- 4. All departments need to put NDD as a key agenda item in their review meetings to reinforce key messages for the NDD and facilitate high coverage
- Engagement with other line departments, such as Swachh Bharat Mission, Panchayati Raj Department, Tribal Welfare, Urban local bodies, Youth Affairs to help reach children who are catered by these departments through various programs and for reinforcement of WASH messages alongside deworming
- 6. Inclusion of all private schools, under multiple central level boards, military schools, including Kendriya Vidyalaya, Navodaya Vidyalaya, Madarsa, Sanskrit Schools under the leadership of Education department at States and DMs at district to coordinate for the same
- Training of frontline workforce (Teachers and Anganwadi workers) from Education and WCD departments to be supported by Health department at State and District level, while block level training of teachers and anganwadi workers to be led by respective departments
- All stakeholder departments to disseminate the IEC material provided by the Department of Health to the govt. and pvt. schools, anganwadis and community as appropriate for increasing program awareness and facilitate greater coverage
- Officials of all the stakeholder departments are required to undertake field visits for monitoring and supportive supervision on the NDD and mop up day and submit reports as mandated
- Reporting formats filled by schools and AWCs to be submitted as per reporting cascade within specified timelines;
- 11. State may issue similar joint directive to the districts for an effective roll-out of NDD 2020 rounds.
- May write a letter to all District Magistrates/Collectors in the State to take a lead in implementing NDD and ensuring inter-departmental convergence to ensure maximum coverage of children on the day of NDD.