F. No. 10-12/2020-EE-6(MDM-3-1) Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of School Education and Literacy ****

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated, the September 18, 2020

To

All Principal Secretary/ Secretary Education or the Nodal department for implementation of Mid Day Meal in all 2 Himalayan States, NER States and UTs.

Subject :- Review of implementation of Mid Day Meal Scheme through video conferencing with the State and district teams. – regarding.

Please find the attached d.o. letter from Shri R.C. Meena, Joint Secretary dated 15.09.2020 on the subject cited above and to say that it is appropriate to hold meetings to review the status of implementation of the Mid Day Meal Scheme with in the States and UTs through video conferencing. The agenda for the review meetings includes:

- District wise details of Provision of Food Security Allowance- District wise number of children and working days;
- Information on activities carried out during POSHAN MAAH;
- Details and quantities of items provided as Food Security Allowance;
- Methods adopted for providing Food Security Allowance;
- Best practices / issues;
- Progress on commitments made by State in PAB meetings;
- District wise status of lifting of food grains;
- District wise status of release of funds;
- Status of development of School Nutrition Gardens;
- District wise status of data entry in MDM-MIS;
- District wise status of data entry of DBT.
- Any other issues

2. It is, therefore, requested to provide inputs with respect to States/UTs to ajay.kr71@gov.in with a copy to arnab.dhaki@nic.in.

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भारत सरकार शिक्षा मंत्रालय स्कूल शिक्षा और साक्षरता विभाग शास्त्री भवन नई दिल्ली – 110 115 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY SHASTRI BHAVAN NEW DELHI-110 115 Dated: 15th September, 2020

F. No. 1-2/2020-Desk (MDM)

Dear Sir madam,

The National Programme of Mid-Day Meal in Schools, popularly known as the Mid-Day Meal Scheme is one of the foremost rights based Centrally Sponsored Scheme with an overarching objective of improving the nutritional status of children studying in classes I-VIII in eligible schools. The scheme is covered under the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA). During 2019-20 the scheme covered about 11.59 crore children enrolled and studying in elementary Classes (I-VIII) in 11.34 lakh Government and aided Schools.

2. Due to extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19 outbreak, the Ministry of Education has issued advisories to all States and UTs to provide Food Security Allowance, comprising of food grains and Pulses, oil etc (equivalent to cooking cost) to children enabling them to meet their nutritional requirement and safe guard their immunity during closure of schools.

3. It is also pertinent to note that Hon'ble Prime Minister of India has announced to celebrate the month of September as 'POSHAN MAAH' of which Mid Day Meal Scheme is an integral part.

4. It has now been decided to review the status of implementation of Mid Day Meal Scheme and activities carried out during 'POSHAN MAAH'. The Director / Deputy Secretary of MDM Bureau will hold review meetings with Commissioner / Director (MDM) in the States and UTs through video conferencing and also through filed visits as and when required. The date and time of the video conferencing meetings would be decided in consultation with States and UTs.

5. The agenda for these review meetings would include:

- i. District wise details of Provision of Food Security Allowance District wise number of children and working days;
- ii. Information on activities carried out during 'POSHAN MAAH';
- iii. Details and quantities of items provided as Food Security Allowance;
- iv. Methods adopted for providing Food Security Allowance;





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- v. Best practices adopted / issues faced in distribution of Food Security Allowance;
- vi. Progress on commitments made by State in PAB meeting;
- vii. District wise status of lifting of food grains;
- viii. District wise status of release of funds;
- ix. Status of development of School Nutrition Gardens;
- x. District wise status of data entry in MDM-MIS;
- xi. District wise status of data entry of DBT.
- xii. Any other issues

6. You are, therefore, requested to issue appropriate instructions to the concerned officers in your State / UT to take necessary action.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Reme (R.C. MEENA)

To

The Additional Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries / Secretaries Education or the Nodal Department for implementation of Mid Day Meal in all States and UTs.

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Commissioner / Director (MDM) in all States and UTs