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D.O. No. 14-5/2021MDM1-1(EE.5)(Pt.1)

Date: 17.09.2021

## Respected Sir Modam,

As you are aware, Ministry of Education runs the largest school nutrition programme i.e. Mid Day Meal Scheme. Being a partner Ministry in POSHAN Abhiyaan, we are celebrating 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' during the month of September,2021 by carrying out various activities in order to create a "Jan Aandolan" while adhering to COVID-19 protocols.

- 2. Secretary, D/o SE&L vide D.O. letters of even no. dated 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 and 09<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 has advised the States to carry out activities like Poshan Assemblies, e-quiz, special drive for development of School Nutrition Gardens, on line / off line Parent Teachers meeting and Social Audit etc. Further, she has also requested the States to encourage children to share a special meal with at least one under privileged child during 17<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September.
- 3. While appreciating the efforts made by several States to carry out the identified activities, I again request you to ensure that maximum number of activities are carried out in your State / UT. We look forward to widespread participation. Your kind intervention shall be extremely helpful in engaging children of the Country with Poshan Maah, 2021, which is essential for its success.
- 4. As was already informed through my letter of even no. dated 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2021, a review meeting under the chairpersonship of Secretary D/o SE&L on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 at 12.00 hrs through video conferences scheduled. The meeting link is given below:

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5. You are advised to issue appropriate instructions to the concerned Commissioner / Director to attend the meeting with updated status on the activities carried out under POSHAN Maah so far.

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Let us join hands to celebrate the true spirit of Rashtriya POSHAN Maah along with our school children and empower them with the knowledge regarding nutrition.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(R.C. MEENA)

To,

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