

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi Dated 22nd March, 2013

To

Principal Secretary / Secretary of Nodal Department for National Programme of Mid Day Meal in Schools (NP-MDMS) of all the States / UTs

Subject:

Revision of norms for cooking cost and additional funds due to withdrawal of subsidy on LPG cylinders under National Programme of Mid Day Meal in Schools (NP-MDMS) for the year 2013-14 – regarding.

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to inform that it has been decided with the approval of the competent authority to increase the cooking cost for 2013-14 @ 7.5% over and above the cooking cost for the year 2012-13 w.e.f. 1st July, 2013. The increased cooking cost will be shared between the Centre and the States in the ratio of 75:25 except NER States where this ratio would be 90.10. The norms of cooking cost admissible w.e.f. 01.07.2013 during 2013-14 for Primary and Upper Primary classes would be as under:-

Stage	Revised cooking cost per child	Centre-State sharing			
		Non-NER States (75:25)		NER States (90:10)	
		Centre	State	Centre	State
Primary	3.34	2.51	0.83	3.01	0.33
U. Primary	5.00	3.75	1.25	4.5	0.50

2. The above cooking cost norms indicate the minimum mandatory contribution by the Centre and State Governments. However, States / UTs may contribute more, as some States/UTs had been doing in the past, than their minimum mandatory share from their own resources to serve mid-day meals with prescribed nutrition.

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- 3. It has further been decided with the approval of the competent authority to provide additional funds to States/UTs due to withdrawal of subsidies on LPG for the year 2013-14. These additional funds will also be shared between Centre and States in the ratio of 75:25 for non-NER States and 90:10 for NER States.
- 4. You are requested to disseminate the above revisions for compliance to all concerned and the field functionaries up to school / cooking agency level to ensure prompt implementation of the revised cooking cost with effect from 01.07.2013 and additional funds to the States / UTs for LPG cylinder for 2013-14.
- 5. This issues with the approval of Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) U.O.ID No. 13(13)/PF-II/2009 dated 21.03.2013.

Yours faithfully,

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