F.No. 16-1/2018-MDM 1-1 (EE.5) Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of School Education & Literacy MDM Division **********

C- Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 Dated 18th June, 2018

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board – Mid-Day Meal Scheme in respect of State of Gujarat held on 7th June 2018.

The meeting of Programme Approval Board-Mid-Day Meal Scheme to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget 2018-19 in respect of State of Gujarat was held on 07.06.2018 at New Delhi.

2. A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is enclosed for information & necessary action.

3. The annual Work Plan & Budget 2018-19 has the approval of Secretary (SE&L).

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Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of School Education& Literacy

Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board - Mid Day Meal (PAB-MDM) on 7.6.2018 – Gujarat.

The meeting of the Programme Approval Board - Mid-Day Meal (PAB-MDM) was held in New Delhi on 7.6.2018. The list of participants in the meeting is enclosed at *Annexure-I*. The agenda before the PAB-MDM was:

- To review the status and progress of the implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme for the State/UT of Gujarat
- To consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2018-19 proposal of Gujarat for MDM Scheme.

2. Shri G. Vijaya Bhaskar, Director MDM and Member Secretary, PAB, welcomed the members of PAB-MDM and other participants. He requested Shri V. Shashank Shekhar, Joint Secretary (EE.I), to make his opening remarks. Joint Secretary (EE.I) appreciated State Government's good practices/initiatives viz., provision of Chana Chat, Sukhdi, Muthia, Mix dal etc in breakfast, 200 ml. of milk to 4.81 lakh Children in 26 blocks, 60 kg food grains to tribal girls, Water Purifiers have been installed in 23101 (67%) schools, and State has provided 78.96 lakhs meals to children under Tithi Bhojan.

3. Shri R.G Trivedi, Commissioner, Mid day Meal, Govt. of Gujarat made a presentation on the performance of Mid-Day Meal Scheme during 2017-18 and the initiatives taken by the State Government for improving the effectiveness of the scheme along with proposals for 2018-19. Dr. Anindita Shukla, Senior Consultant, Technical Support Group-Mid Day Meal (TSG-MDM), Ed CIL India Ltd also presented an analysis of the performance of the State in the implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme during 2017-18.

- 4. The following issues were discussed during the meeting:
- 4.1 Coverage of children: It was informed that 75% of the enrolled children at primary and 79% at upper primary level have availed Mid-day meal on an average basis during 2017-18. JS (EE.1) observed very low coverage in the districts of Gir Somnath, (62%) Surendranagar (64%) Ahemdabad (66%), Mehsana (62%), Banaskatha (62%) at Primary level and in Gir Somnath, (65%), Junagarh (63%) Surendranagar (65%) Amreli (65%), Anand (68%), Banaskatha (62%) at Upper Primary level. He further advised the State to carry out independent study to know the reasons of less coverage in these districts.
- 4.2 Kitchen cum store: It was informed that GOI has sanctioned Rs. 23203.15 Lakh for construction of 25077 units of Kitchen-cum-Stores. But the State has utilized all these funds for the construction of 24303 kitchen-cum-stores for larger kitchen-cum stores. Therefore the Commissioner MDM, Govt. of Gujarat requested that additional central assistance may be provided for construction of remaining 767 kitchen-cum stores. JS (EE.I) mentioned that State Government has altered the size of the kitchen-cum stores on their own without obtaining prior approval of MHRD. He advised that State may use its own funds to complete these 767 Kitchen Cum Stores in a time bound manner.

Regarding the State Government's proposal of 4405 new Kitchen-Cum-Stores for 2018-19, Dr Anindita Shukla informed that there are 32735 institutions eligible for Kitchen Cum Stores in the State. 25077 units have already been sanctioned by GOI. 3327 institutions are covered by NGOs in nine districts and 6871 units have been constructed in convergence with other schemes. Therefore as such there is no gap. JS (EE.I) advised State officials to reconcile the figures and send a report to MHRD in this regard.

- 4.3 Drought Proposal: Commissioner MDM, Govt. of Gujarat mentioned that drought was declared for the financial year 2016-17 in two districts of Rajkot (Vichiya Block) and Surendranagar (Chotila Block) and Government of Gujarat has provided meal to 3050 children for 33 days. He further requested that the admissible central assistance may be reimbursed to State Government. Dr. Anindita Shukla mentioned that the State has submitted incomplete proposal in this regard. JS (EE.I) advised State officials to send a revised proposal for consideration and approval by MHRD.
- 4.4 Tithi Bhojan: Commissioner, Mid Day Meal, Govt. of Gujarat informed the PAB regarding the initiative of Tithi Bhojan. He mentioned that Government has initiated the concept of Public Participation in the scheme through "Tithi Bhojan", in which, the Villagers sponsor the food with sweets for children on various occasions and provide utensil for MDM centers as it is customary in Gujarat to host public dinner on festival days or social occasions like marriage anniversary ,birth Anniversary, death anniversary or any special occasion etc. JS (EE.I) appreciated the steps taken by the State on this aspect.
- 4.5 Use of LPG: Joint Secretary (EE.I) observed that 100% schools in the State are having LPG connections. He appreciated the initiatives taken by the State Government.
- **4.6 Provision of safe drinking water:** Joint Secretary (EE.I) observed that 23101 (67%) schools in the State have water filtration facility. He advised the State officials to ensure that all schools have safe drinking water facility. Commissioner, Govt. of Gujarat assured that remaining institutions shall also be provided with water purifier facility in a phased manner.
- 4.7 Meeting of District level Steering cum Monitoring Committee: As per the information provided, 39 meetings of District level steering cum Monitoring Committee under the chairpersonship of the District Collector have taken place. Dr. Anindita Shukla mentioned that meetings have not been held in the districts of Mehsana and Dangs during the year. JS (EE.I) advised the State to take appropriate action in this regard to convene the meetings.
- 4.8 Use of Millets: JS (EE.I) mentioned that Ministry of Agriculture has decided to celebrate 2018-19 as 'Year Of Nutri Cereals (Millets)'. He further suggested the State to explore the possibilities to introduce millets in Mid Day Meal Scheme.
- 4.9 Data Entry on MIS-Web Portal: JS (EE.I) observed mismatch in the data submitted through AWP&B and the data entered in the MDM-MIS especially in the aspects of Utilization of food grains and honorarium to Cook-cum-helper. He advised the State Officials to develop a mechanism to ensure accuracy and quality of the data entry in MDM-MIS.
- 4.10 Ayushman Bharat: Joint Secretary (EE.I) mentioned about the importance of School Health Programme component of recently launched programme of Ayushman Bharat. Dr Anindita Shukla, Senior Consultant, TSG-MDM, informed that under School Health Programe of Ayushman Bharat, identified school teachers will be trained as 'Health and Wellness Ambassadors' who in turn train the school children on Yoga & Meditation, health & hygiene, cleanliness and adolescent issues etc. She further added that provision of water purification

systems of appropriate technology, Yoga & Meditation and provision of sanitary napkins for girl child in the schools are very important components in the service delivery part of School Health Component of Ayushman Bharat. Funds are also available in the programme of Menstrual Hygiene Programme of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the distribution of sanitary napkins. JS (EE.I) advised the State to coordinate the efforts in this regard with the concerned departments and share the status with Dr Anindita Shukla.

- 4.11 Kitchen Garden: Commissioner, Govt. of Gujarat informed the PAB that 2694 (7%) schools are having kitchen garden and 7960 kitchen gardens are proposed to be developed during 2018-19. Joint Secretary (EE.I) appreciated the efforts made by the State and advised to set up kitchen gardens in all schools where land is available. He further suggested that State Horticulture Department, Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) etc. may also be roped in for this purpose.
- 4.12 Other proposals made by the State : Commissioner, MDM, Govt. of Gujarat mentioned that at present kitchen devices sanctioned to schools need to be replaced @ Rs. 15000 per unit for 30980 schools.

5. PAB-MDM approvals for the year 2018-19: It was clarified that the quantification of resources is only an estimate for release of Central Assistance during 2018-19 under the MDM Scheme. The MDM Guidelines provide that every child attending an eligible institution is to be covered under the Scheme and shall be served mid-day meal on all school days. In case the State Govt. finds that the average number of children availing mid-day meal and/or if the working days are more than the approved numbers by PAB-MDM, they may approach the GOI at any time with justification for additional Central Assistance.

After discussions with State officials and based on the performance during 2017-18 the PAB-MDM approved the following number of children, number of school days etc. for quantifying the Central assistance for Gujarat:-

S. No.	Component	PAB Approval 2017-18	Proposal for 2018-19	PAB Approval 2018-19
1	Institutions		1	
1.1	Primary	11381	11420	11420
1.2	Upper Primary	24909	22887	22887
2	Children			
2.1	Primary	2729125	2672852	2672852
2.2	Upper Primary	1637386	1724388	1724388
2.3	NCLP	0	0	0
3	Working Days			
3.1	Primary	240	248	248
3.2	Upper Primary	240	248	248
3.3	NCLP	0	0	0

5.1 State Govt.'s Proposals and PAB -MDM Approvals for 2018-19

4	Cook cum Helpers*				
4.1	Primary	91131	96329	96329	
4.2	Upper Primary				
5	Drought				
5.1	Children (Pry)	Nil	Nil	Nil	
5.2	Children (U Pry)	Nil	Nil	Nil	
5.3	Working days	Nil	Nil	Nil	
6	Non Recurring				
6.1	Kitchen cum Store	Nil	4405	Not Approved (Revised proposal to be submitted by State)	
6.2	Kitchen Devices	Nil	Nil	Nil	
6.3	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	Nil	Nil	Nil	
7	Central Assistance	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•	
7.1	Regular	Rs. crore	Rs. crore	Rs. Crore	
7.2	Drought	Rs 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	
7.3	Kitchen cum Store	Rs 0.00 crore	Rs. 641.1 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	
7.4	Kitchen Devices	Rs. 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	
7.5	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	Rs. 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	Rs. 0.00 crore	
7.6	Grand Total	Rs 410.93. crore	Rs.494.97 crore	Rs.430.85 Crore	

- 6. The State is advised to disseminate the approvals of the resources to all the field functionaries in the State and districts so as to enable all the eligible institutions to ensure that every child attending an eligible school must be served hot cooked midday meals on all school days irrespective of the approvals of PAB-MDM.
- The quantification of central assistance of Rs. 430.85 crore has been done as per existing norms on the basis of number of children and working days approved by PAB-MDM for the year 2018-19. The Component- wise approval of funds for 2018-19 is enclosed at Appendix-1.

Appendix-1

State: Gujarat QUANTIFICATION OF CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR 2018-19

51.	Stage	No. of Children	Working days	Quantity MTs
1	Primary (@ 100 gms per child per school day)	2672852	248	66286.73
2	U. Primary (@150 gms per child per school day)	1724388	248	64147.22
3	NCLP (@150 gms per child per school day)	00	00	00
4	Drought			
4.1	Primary	Nil	Nil	0.00
4.2	Upper Primary	Nil	Nil	0.00
	TOTAL	4397239	Nil	130434

B. Cost of Foodgrains, Cooking cost, Transport Assistance, Hon. to cook-cum-helpers and Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME)

SI. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible	
		(Rs. in lakh)	
1	2	3	
Prima	ry		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000/- per MT Rice and @ Rs. 2000/- per MT Wheat	1657.17	
2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 4.13 per child per day		
2.1	Central Share @ Rs. 2.48 per child per day	16439.11	
2.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ 1.65 per child per day	10937.31	
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs. 750.00 Per MT food grains	497.15	
4	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	1	
4.1	Central Share - (Rs 600 x 10 months)	5779.74	
4.2	State Share - (Rs. 400 x 10 months)	3853.16	
5	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 1.8% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	438.72	
TOTAL	- Central Share	24811.88	
Upper P	rimary		
6	Cost of Food grains @Rs. 3000/- per MT and @Rs. 2000/- per	1603.68	

	MT Wheat	
7	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 6.18 per child per day	
7.1	Central share @ Rs.3.71 per child per day	15865.74
7.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs.2.47 per child per day	10562.91
8	Transportation cost @ Rs. 750.00 Per MT food grains	481.10
9	Honorarium for cook cum Helper (Calculated in Primary)	1
9.1	Central Share - (Rs 600 x 10 months)	Calculated in Primar
9.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share- (Rs 400 x 10 months)	
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 1.8% of the 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost	323.11
	 Cost of transportation and 	
		18273.64

C. Drought Nil :

D.

Non-recurring : Nil Total Requirement of Funds for 2018-19 E. .

Component		Centre Share	(Rs. in lakh) Minimum Mandatory State share
Recurring	Normal	43085.52	25353.38
	Drought	0.00	0.00
Non- recurring		0.00	0.00
Total		43085.52	25353.38

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Annexure-I

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