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Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy
PM POSHAN Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
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Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board (PAB) held on 09.05.2022 to consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) in respect of Government of Sikkim under PM POSHAN Scheme for 2022-23.

The meeting of Programme Approval Board-Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PAB-PM POSHAN) was held on 09.05.2022 through Video Conferencing to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget 2022-23 in respect of **State of Sikkim**.

2. The minutes of the above PAB meeting have been approved by the Secretary (SE&L), Department of School Education & Literacy. Please find enclosed a copy of the approved minutes for your information and necessary action.

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8. Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
10. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
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Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board held on 09.05.2022 to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23 of PM POSHAN Scheme for the State of Sikkim.

The meeting of the Programme Approval Board-PM POSHAN (PAB-PM POSHAN) was held in New Delhi through video conferencing on 09.05.2022. The list of participants in the meeting is enclosed at *Annexure-I*.

The agenda before the PAB-PM POSHAN was:

- i. To review the status and progress of the implementation of PM POSHAN Scheme in the State of Sikkim.
- ii. To consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23 proposal of Sikkim for PM POSHAN Scheme.

2. Secretary DoSEL, welcomed the members of PAB-PM POSHAN and made opening remarks. She mentioned that the Union Cabinet has approved the continuation of scheme for the five year period i.e. 2021-22 to 2025-26 and also renamed it as Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN). She also briefed about the new initiatives and emphasized that interventions of School Nutrition Gardens, Tithi Bhojan and Social Audit are focused areas and are positioned as special nutritional interventions. Highlighting the importance of monitoring, she further stated that it has been decided to involve students of eminent Universities / Institutions and also trainee teachers of District Institutes of Education Training and Regional Institutes of Education, for enhanced monitoring of implementation of the scheme at field level. She reiterated that provision of hot cooked meals has significant effect on school participation in terms of enhanced enrollment as well as improved regular attendance of children in schools thereby substantially contributing towards reduction in drop out rates. She also emphasized upon the role of hot cooked meals in schools in removing social barriers as children from various social backgrounds learn to sit together and share a common meal. It was further highlighted that the gender gap in school participation tends to narrow, as the Scheme helps erode the barriers that prevent girls from going to school.

Subsequently JS (EE.I) appreciated the State Government's good practices/initiatives viz. School Management Committees have constituted mother's group to taste the food on daily basis, Fresh and locally available organic vegetables like potatoes, cabbage, green saag, cauliflower, Broccoli, raddish, carrot, beans, peas are being used in Meals.

The First in First Out (FIFO) method has been adopted not only in pulses and condiments but also for stored food-grains etc. while also pointing out the issues viz. delay in the release of funds (2 to 3 months) from State to school level. The Adhoc grant was released by GOI on 1.06.21 and the State Directorate of Education received it on 22.9.21. The State has made no expenditure under cooking cost component for 6 months as per 1st and 2nd Quarterly progress reports of 2021-22. The expenditure was done from October to December, 2021 onwards. NIL data has been provided under Health Check up programme. Cook-cum-Helpers are paid on quarterly basis. PM Poshan scheme is implemented on reimbursement basis. Testing of food samples has never been done in the State. State has conducted Social Audit but not as per GOI guidelines. State has not reported about Public Hearing to GOI. State has not submitted report of the Social Audit conducted last year to the MoE so far, Out of 867 existing schools, data for 856 schools is entered in MIS portal. There is NIL data entry in AMS in spite of schools being opened since February 2021 etc.

3. Secretary, Education Department, Government of Sikkim, briefed the PAB about the performance of the Scheme in the State during first three quarters of 2021-22 (01.04.2021 to 31.12.2021) and made the presentation on the proposals in Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23.

4. Review of Performance during 2021-22 (01.04.2021 to 31.12.2021)

4.1 Coverage of children:

4.1.1 Average number of children availed PM POSHAN vis-à-vis enrollment:

The State has enrollment of 28431 children in Primary and 21244 children in ~~Up~~Primary. Out of these, on an average basis, Food Security Allowance has been provided to 27614 children (97%) in Primary and 20652 children (97%) in Upper Primary during the year 2021-22.

4.1.2 Average number of children availed PM POSHAN vis-à-vis PAB-PM POSHAN Approval:

The PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 28110 children at Primary and 21748 children at Upper Primary level. Later on, State informed that due to closure of schools during Covid pandemic, all enrolled children are eligible for Food Security Allowance. Against these on an average basis 27614 children (98%) in Primary and 20652 children (95%) in Upper Primary have been covered under the scheme during the year 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB noted the efforts of State for covering almost 97% of the enrolled children, PAB expressed concern over non coverage of remaining 3% children and advised the State to make efforts to cover all enrolled children.

4.2 School Working Days:

The State has covered all 184 days out of the approved 184 working days at both Primary and Upper Primary level.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the performance of the State and advised to cover all days as approved.

4.3 PFMS-Fund Flow Mechanism

The State has informed that they have completed almost all procedures for implementation of new system of release of funds in line with the revised procedure prescribed by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.

JS EE.1 expressed deep concern over delay in release of funds (2 to 3 months) from State to school level and inquired about the Adhoc grant which was released by GOI on 1.06.21 and it reached the State Directorate of Education on 22.9.21. Further, he raised concern over the issue of no expenditure being done under cooking cost component for 6 months as per 1st and 2nd Quarterly progress reports of 2021-22 and the expenditure was done from October to December 2021 onwards. The State mentioned that earlier the financial channels through which file moved used to take time in routine manner but now with the implementation of new system of release of funds in line with the revised procedure prescribed by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India, the delay will be controlled.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to ensure that all requisite provisions of PFMS are followed to enable timely release of Central Assistance and corresponding State share for smooth implementation of the scheme at all levels.

4.4 Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME):

State has reported utilization of 43% of the funds under MME head during the first three quarters of 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB emphasized on the importance of monitoring for better implementation of the scheme and advised for documentation of innovative practices, display of entitlements of children in all schools etc.

4.5 Engagement of Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH) and honorarium

PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 1891 Cook-cum-Helpers to be engaged during 2021-22 in the State. The State has engaged 1880 Cook-cum-Helpers and 11 CCH are not engaged yet. JS EE.1 raised concern over the issue of Cook-cum-Helpers being paid honorarium on quarterly basis and mentioned that Cook-cum-Helpers should be paid on time and on monthly basis.

Comments of PAB: PAB urged the State to electronically transfer honorarium to all engaged Cook-cum-Helpers on monthly basis and also engage the remaining cook-cum-helpers.

4.6 Kitchen-cum-Stores (Construction as well as repair):

Central Assistance of Rs. 710.73 lakhs has been released for construction of 948 Kitchen-cum- Stores from 2006-07 to 2021-22. As on 31.12.2021, construction has been completed for all 948 Kitchen-cum-Stores (100%). Rs.22.05 lakhs have been released in 2021-22 for repair of 245 Kitchen-cum-Stores. The repair work has also been completed now. The Utilization certificate of the completion of 245 repair works is awaited from the State. State has not submitted any proposal for construction of Kitchen-Cum-Stores for FY 2022-23.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to submit the Utilization Certificate at the earliest to the Ministry.

4.7 Kitchen Devices (new as well as replacement):

Central Assistance of Rs. 42.97 lakhs has been released towards procurement of 879 units of new Kitchen Devices from 2006-07 to 2021-22. The State has reported that all 879 units of Kitchen Devices have been procured. Central Assistance of Rs. 126.52 lakhs was further released during 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2018-19, 2021-22 for the replacement of 1656 units of Kitchen Devices. Against this the State has procured all 1656 Kitchen Devices. The Utilization Certificate of the procurement of 336 Kitchen Devices is awaited from the State

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to submit the Utilization Certificate to the Ministry at the earliest.

4.8 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens:

State has developed School Nutrition Gardens in only 93 schools out of 867 schools. It was informed that due to closure of schools during 2021-22, the development work of School Nutrition Gardens could not be taken up. State has not yet submitted proposal for developing School Nutrition Gardens in schools during 2022-23.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to make concerted efforts for development of School Nutrition Gardens in all schools and to submit the proposal for developing of school nutrition garden for FY 2022-23. State may develop school nutrition gardens in remaining schools in convergence with local Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Agriculture Department and Horticulture Department etc. The funds available under MNREGA of Department of Rural Development for certain eligible components may also be utilized in convergence with them.

4.9 Community Participation - Tithi Bhojan or similar practices

The State has not taken up the practice of Tithi Bhojan but the community in and around the schools serve additional [special meals] to the school children during certain festive/social occasions.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN advised the State to encourage the concept of 'Tithi Bhojan' by giving a suitable name for Community participation, duly following all possible precautionary measures under PM POSHAN Scheme. This would help in promoting a sense of ownership of the scheme among the community and the children may get Supplementary Nutrition. Secretary (SE&L) emphasized the importance of Community participation in better implementation of the scheme. She further added that Tithi Bhojan is a wonderful way to transform the community involvement and community ownership of scheme into 'JAN ANDOLAN'. She advised the State to make efforts to conduct such activities at least once in a month in each school.

4.10 Additional Food Items:

The State has informed that Fresh and locally available organic vegetables like potatoes, cabbage, green saag, cauliflower, Broccoli, raddish, carrot, beans, peas are being used under PM POSHAN.

JS (EE.) raised concern over not providing any data of health check up of the children and advised that all children must be screened under Health check up programme and all children must be distributed IFA tablets and D-Worming tablets .

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to have close convergence with the Health Department to ensure coverage of 100% children under various provisions of RBSK, WIFS (Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Supplements) & National Deworming Day and further advised the State to make efforts to provide Supplementary Nutrition items in Aspirational districts and districts having high prevalence of malnutrition i.e. districts where 75% or more children are anemic as per National Family Health Survey (NFHS).

4.11 Testing of meals:

The State has informed that there is no such accredited laboratory for testing of food sample in Sikkim and therefore the State has not initiated the testing of cooked meals. PAB raised serious concern over the issue and suggested that Food samples must be taken up and tested in adjoining States viz West Bengal/Assam or any other facility available in the State itself. State assured to do testing of the samples in the next FY 2022-23.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised laboratory testing of dry ration samples as well as cooked samples and advised to continue testing of samples and cover all districts in the facilities available in State of Sikkim or adjoining States of West Bengal / Assam and further advised the State to go for regular testing of cooked food samples once the schools are opened.

4.12 Training of Cook-cum-Helpers and other capacity building activities:

State has not organized training of Cook-cum-Helpers during 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: State was advised to organize training programmes for all the Cook-cum-Helpers.

4.13 Data Entry on PM POSHAN -MIS Web Portal:

PM POSHAN -MIS portal captures information on critical indicators of PM POSHAN Scheme. The Annual data entry module captures master data on availability of Kitchen-cum-Stores, Kitchen Devices, number of Cook-cum-Helpers engaged, mode of cooking etc. The Monthly data entry module captures data on number of days PM POSHAN was served; number of meals served, honorarium paid to Cook-cum-Helpers engaged, number of children received IFA tablets, number of children screened under Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) etc. The State has completed Annual data entry for 98.7% schools and Monthly data entry for 98.7% in the MIS portal. Out of 867 existing schools, data for 856 schools are entered in MIS portal.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to complete 100% data entry within a month as assured and maintain 100% upto date data entry and further advised to bring all schools on MIS portal.

4.14 Status of implementation of Automated Monitoring System (AMS):

During 2021-22, NIL entry was noticed under AMS. The schools were opened in the month of September 2021. State has informed that HP model of AMS was implemented in the State but since last year the State is facing many technical issues and several complaints have been sent to Himachal Pradesh office but the complaint has not been addressed till today. The State is exploring possibility of alternative mechanism for data entry in AMS and will soon put in place.

Comments of PAB: PAB noted the reasons and advised the State to put in place a mechanism for daily data entry of the beneficiaries as now all the schools are open. AMS is the best technique to monitor the effective implementation of the scheme on real time basis.

4.15 Centralized kitchens:

There is no Centralized Kitchen in the State at present.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN noted the information.

4.16 Social Audit:

State of Sikkim informed that in Sikkim, Social Audit has been initiated in all 4 districts covering 100 schools. The process is still going on public hearing is awaited.

The State mentioned that the Social Audit units in the State are asking Rs.12000/- per school for conducting Social Audit and this is difficult to meet up in order to cover 100 schools as the state is having meagre amount under MME funds. Hence, separate funds may be allocated for Social Audit by the Ministry

PAB raised concern over the non submission of the report of the previous year Social Audit and advised the State to submit the final action taken report based on the findings of the report and submit the report to the Ministry at the earliest.

The PAB further mentioned that under MME component, over and above Central Assistance, State may also contribute.

Comments of PAB: : PAB appreciated the efforts of the State for conducting Social Audit and advised the State to submit the action taken note along with the detailed Social Audit report to the Ministry. The PAB further advised the State to continue conducting Social Audit of the PM POSHAN as now all schools are open and share the report with the Ministry. As per PM POSHAN guidelines, Social Audit is to be conducted in all the schools in a phased manner by utilizing MME funds.

4.17 Provision of PM POSHAN or Food Security Allowance during closure of schools due to COVID-19

The State informed that in lieu of cooked meal, the State Government distributed dry ration; rice, cooking oil, potatoes, onion, pulses, Eggs, green vegetables [organic] Fruits, masks, sanitizer in all schools. Many schools provide additional **food items** to children from the contribution made by the teachers. The process of distribution of dry ration under FSA was monitored or supervised by the BDO, SDM, Panchayat, local community, SMCs etc.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of the State and advised the State to distribute FSA as per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. PAB further informed that Govt. of India has issued detailed guidelines for reopening of schools and resumption of hot cooked meals in schools and further advised the State to follow

these guidelines for resumption of hot cooked meals in schools. It was further advised that the State needs to take all precautionary measures and special care while maintaining social distancing and Covid appropriate behavior as advised by the respective Disaster Management Authorities.

5. Component wise Proposals and PAB-PM POSHAN Approvals

5.1 Coverage of children

State Government has proposed to cover **5828** children in Bal Vatika, **27615** children in Primary classes and **20652** children in Upper Primary classes on an average basis during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: After detailed discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved to cover **5828** children in Bal Vatika, **27615** children in Primary classes and **20652** children in Upper Primary classes on an average basis during 2022-23.

5.1 Coverage of Working Days

State Government has proposed to serve PM POSHAN for 208 days in Bal Vatika, 208 days in Primary and 208 days in Upper Primary schools during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of the State to serve PM POSHAN for 208 days in Bal Vatika, 208 days in Primary and 208 days in Upper Primary schools during 2022-23.

5.2 Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH)

State Government has proposed to engage 1194 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 697 Cook-cum-Helpers in Upper Primary under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State to engage 1194 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 697 Cook-cum-Helpers in Upper Primary under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

5.3 Drought

Drought has not been notified in the State.

Approval of PAB: Nil.

5.4 Construction and repair of Kitchen-cum-Stores

The Utilization Certificate of the completion of 245 repair works of Kitchen-Cum-Stores is awaited from the State. State has not submitted any proposal for construction of Kitchen-Cum-Stores for FY 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: PAB advised the State to submit the Utilization Certificate of the completion of 245 repair works of Kitchen-Cum-Stores, at the earliest to the Ministry.

5.5 Kitchen Devices

State has not submitted any proposal for Kitchen Devices for FY 2022-23. The Utilization certificate of the procurement of 336 Kitchen Devices is awaited from the State.

Approval of PAB: PAB advised the State to submit the Utilization Certificate of the procurement of 336 Kitchen Devices to the Ministry at the earliest.

5.6 Conducting of Social Audit under PM POSHAN Scheme.

The State has started Social Audit in 100 schools covering all 4 districts during 2021-22. Once the entire process is complete and report is submitted, State will send the proposal for 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB advised State of Sikkim to conduct Social Audit of the PM POSHAN scheme in all schools in all districts and share the report with the Ministry. As per PM POSHAN guidelines, Social Audit is to be conducted in all the schools in a phased manner by utilizing MME funds.

5.7 Flexibility for new interventions

State may converge with respective line departments for School Nutrition Gardens and Supplementary Nutrition interventions.

Approval of PAB: PAB appreciated the development of School Nutrition Gardens through convergence and advised that for maintenance and development of School Nutrition Gardens and for Supplementary Nutrition interventions, State may converge with respective line departments.

5.8 Cooking Competitions

State Government has proposed to organize cooking competitions at various levels i.e. Block level, District level and State level.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State for organizing cooking competitions at various levels by utilizing MME funds.

5.9 Training of Cook-cum-Helpers

State has proposed to train all the engaged Cook-cum-Helpers during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State for training of all the engaged Cook-cum-Helpers by utilizing MME funds.

6. Summary of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals (Physical) for the year 2022-23

6.1. Recurring and Non-Recurring (Physical)

| S. No. | Component | PAB-PM POSHAN Approvals (Physical) for 2022-23 |
|----------|---|--|
| 1 | Schools | |
| 1.1 | Primary | 481 |
| 1.2 | Upper Primary | 386 |
| 2 | Children | |
| 2.1 | Bal Vatika | 5828 |
| 2.2 | Primary | 27615 |
| 2.3 | Upper Primary | 20652 |
| 3 | Working Days | |
| 3.1 | Bal Vatika | 208 |
| 3.2 | Primary | 208 |
| 3.3 | Upper Primary | 208 |
| 4 | Cook-cum-Helpers | |
| 4.1 | Primary | 1194 |
| 4.2 | Upper Primary | 697 |
| 5 | Serving of PM POSHAN in Drought affected areas during summer vacations | |
| 5.1 | Children (Pry) | 0 |
| 5.2 | Children (U Pry) | 0 |
| 5.3 | Working days | 0 |
| 5.4 | Cook-cum-helpers | 0 |
| 6 | Non Recurring | |
| 6.1 | Kitchen-cum-Stores | 0 |
| 6.2 | Repair of kitchen-cum-stores | 0 |
| 6.3 | Kitchen Devices | 0 |
| 6.4 | Kitchen Devices (Replacement) | 0 |

6.2 Flexibility for new interventions (Physical)

| S. No. | Component | PAB Approvals (Physical) for 2022-23 |
|--------|---|---|
| 1 | Flexibility for new interventions | |
| 1.1 | School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (Setting up in all schools) | In convergence with line departments in the State |
| 1.2 | Supplementary Nutrition over and above existing provisions (including additional items already being provided by State) | In convergence with line departments in the State |

7. Summary of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals (Financial) for the year 2022-23

7.1 Recurring and Non-Recurring (Financial)

| (Rs in lakhs) | | | | |
|--|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| S. No. | Particulars | Central Assistance | Minimum Mandatory State Share | Total (Central + State) |
| 1 | Recurring | | | |
| 1.1 | Serving of PM POSHAN during regular school working days | 856.03 | 85.91 | 941.94 |
| 1.2 | Serving of PM POSHAN in Drought affected areas during summer vacations | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Recurring | | 856.03 | 85.91 | 941.94 |
| 2 | Non Recurring | | | |
| 2.1 | Construction of Kitchen-cum-Store | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2.2 | Repair of kitchen-cum-stores | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2.3 | Procurement of Kitchen Devices (new) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2.4 | Procurement of Kitchen Devices (Replacement) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Non-Recurring | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total (Recurring + Non Recurring) | | 856.03 | 85.91 | 941.94 |

7.2 Flexibility for new interventions

| S. No. | Particulars | Central Assistance | Minimum Mandatory State Share | Total (Central + State) |
|--------|--|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Flexibility for new interventions | | | |
| 1.1 | School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens | In convergence with other line departments in the State | | |
| 1.2 | Provision of Supplementary Nutrition items to eligible children under PM POSHAN Scheme | In convergence with other line departments in the State | | |

8. The quantification of Central Assistance of Rs. 856.03 lakhs & **1339.95** MTs foodgrains and minimum mandatory State share of Rs. 85.91 lakhs has been done as per existing norms on the basis of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals for the year 2022-23. The detailed component- wise quantification for 2022-23 is at **Appendix-I**.

9. It is clarified that the quantification of resources is only an estimate for release of Central Assistance and allocation of food-grains during 2022-23 under the Scheme. The National Food Security Act, 2013, Rules, Guidelines and Instructions issued under the PM POSHAN Scheme from time to time, provide that every child attending an eligible institution is to be covered under the Scheme and shall be served hot cooked meals or provided with Food Security Allowance, as applicable, on all school days.

During the year, if it is noticed by the State Government that more funds are needed to implement the Scheme, due to increase in the attendance of children, increase in school working days or for any other reason, they may approach Government of India during the year with justification seeking additional Central Assistance and food grains. Similarly, if the Central Government observes less coverage than the approvals, the actual releases may be restricted to actual coverage.

10. 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 Mid-Day Meals or provided with Food Security Allowance on all school days irrespective of the approvals of PAB-PM POSHAN.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

State: SIKKIM

QUANTIFICATION OF CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR 2022-23**A. Food grains**

| Sl. No. | Stage | No. of Children | Working days | Quantity (in MTs) | | |
|--------------|--|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|-------|----------------|
| | | | | Rice | Wheat | Total |
| 1 | Primary (@ 100 gms per child per school day) | 33443 | 208 | 695.61 | 0 | 695.61 |
| 2 | U. Primary (@150 gms per child per school day) | 20652 | 208 | 644.34 | 0 | 644.34 |
| 3 | Drought | | | | | |
| 3.1 | Primary | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| 3.2 | Upper Primary | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| TOTAL | | 54095 | | 1339.95 | | 1339.95 |

B. Cost of Food-grains, Cooking cost, Transport Assistance, Honorarium to Cook-Cum- Helpers and Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME)

| <u>Sl.No</u> | <u>Component/Norms</u> | <u>Amount admissible (Rs. In lakhs)</u> |
|------------------|---|---|
| Recurring | | |
| Primary | | |
| 1 | Cost of foodgrains @Rs.3000/- per MT for 695.61 MTs rice | 20.87 |
| 2 | Cooking Cost @4.97 per day per child for 33443 children for 208 days | |
| 2.1 | Central Share @ Rs.4.47 per child/day | 310.94 |
| 2.2 | Minimum mandatory State Share @ Rs. 0.50 per child/day | 34.78 |
| 3 | <u>Transportation Cost @ Rs.1820 per MT food grain</u> | |
| | (33443 x 208 days x 0.0001 MT x Rs.1820) | 12.66 |
| 4 | Honorarium for Cook cum Helpers | |
| 4.1 | Central Share-(1194 x Rs.900 x 10 months) | 107.46 |
| 4.2 | Minimum Mandatory State Share-(1194 x Rs.100 x 10 months) | 11.94 |

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| | | |
| 5 | Management Monitoring & Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7 % of the | |
| | i) Cost of food grains | |
| | ii) Cooking Cost | |
| | iii) Cost of Transportation Cost | 12.20 |
| | iv) Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers | |
| Total Central Share for Primary | | 464.13 |
| Upper Primary | | |
| 6 | Cost of foodgrains @Rs.3000/- per MT for 644.34 MT rice | 19.33 |
| 7 | Cooking Cost @7.45 per day per child for 20652 children for 208 days | |
| 7.1 | Central Share @ Rs.6.70 per child/day | 287.81 |
| 7.2 | Minimum mandatory State Share @ Rs.0.75 per child/day | 32.22 |
| 8 | <u>Transportation Cost @Rs.1820 per MT food grain</u> (20652 x 208 days x 0.00015 MT x Rs.1820) | 11.73 |
| 9 | Honorarium for Cook cum Helpers | |
| | Central Share-(697 x Rs.900 x 10 months) | 62.73 |
| | Minimum Mandatory State Share-(697 x Rs.100 x 10 months) | 6.97 |
| 10 | Management Monitoring & Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7 % of the | 10.30 |
| | i) Cost of food grains | |
| | ii) Cooking Cost | |
| | iii) Cost of Transportation Cost | |
| | iv) Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers | |
| Total Central Share for Upper Primary | | 391.90 |
| Total of Central Share (Primary+ Upper Primary) | | 856.03 |

C. Drought: Nil

D. Non-recurring: NIL

| Sl. No. | Component | Amount admissible (Rs in lakhs) |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | Kitchen-cum-store | Nil |
| 2 | Repair of kitchen-cum-store () | |
| 2.1 | Central Share | Nil |
| 2.2 | Minimum Mandatory State Share | Nil |
| 3 | Kitchen Devices (New) | Nil |
| 4 | Kitchen Devices (Replacement) | Nil |
| Total Central Share (Non-recurring) | | Nil |

E. Total Requirement of Funds for 2022-23**(Rs. in lakhs)**

| Component | | Centre Share (90%) | Minimum Mandatory State share (10%) |
|--|---------|-----------------------|---|
| Recurring | Normal | 856.03 | 85.91 |
| | Drought | Nil | Nil |
| Non- recurring | | Nil | Nil |
| Grand Total (Recurring & Non-recurring) | | 856.03 | 85.91 |

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