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


Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 6th June, 2022

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) of State Government of West Bengal 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 West Bengal**.

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.

Encl. As above.


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2. Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment.
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10. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
11. Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi.
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19. Shri R. C. Meena, Joint Secretary (EE.1), MoE.
20. Ms. Geetu Joshi, Economic Adviser, MoE.
21. Shri V. Hegde, DDG(Statistics), MoE.
22. Dr. Sridhar Srivastava, Director, NCERT.
23. Professor N. V. Varghese, Vice Chancellor, NIEPA.
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5. Shri Dinesh Pradhan, Senior Consultant, MoE for uploading the minutes on PM POSHAN website.
6. Guard file.

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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 West Bengal.

The meeting of the Programme Approval Board-Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman(PAB-PM POSHAN) was held in New Delhi through video conferencing on 9th May, 2022 under the Chairpersonship of Ms Anita Karwal, Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, Government of India. 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 West Bengal.
- ii. To consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23 proposal of West Bengal 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 focus areas and are packaged and 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 Institute of Education Training and Regional Institutes of Education, for enhanced monitoring of implementation of scheme at field level. She reiterated that provision of hot cooked meals has significant effect on school participation in terms of enhanced enrolment 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 the 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 trends to narrow, as the Scheme helps erode the barriers that prevent girls from going to school.

Joint Secretary (EE.I) appreciated State Government's good practices/initiatives viz. additional contribution of Rs.500/- per month to honorarium of Cook-cum-helpers, distribution of Sanitizer and mask to all the children and construction of 8,263 (10%) school dining halls from State's own resources, coverage of all Cook-cum-Helpers and Data Entry Operators under 'Swasthya Sathi Scheme'. Further he expressed concern over the issues of Social Audit not being conducted in the State, health check-up of children not carried out and Deworming tablets not provided to the children during 2021-22, only 19% children were provided Weekly Iron & Folic Acid tablets.

3. Principal Secretary (Education), Govt. of West Bengal briefed the PAB PM POSHAN about the performance of Scheme in the State during first three quarters of 2021-22 (01-04-2021 to 31-12-2021) and Project Director (PM POSHAN) made a presentation on the proposals under 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 covered under the Scheme with reference to enrolment:

The State has enrolment of 73.28 Lakh children in Primary and 45.31 Lakh children in Upper Primary. Out of these, on an average basis 72.21 Lakh children (99%) in Primary and 44.01 Lakh children (97%) in upper primary have been covered during the year 2021-22.

4.1.2 Average number of children covered under the Scheme with reference to PAB PM POSHAN Approval:

The PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 72.25 Lakh children at primary and 42.90 Lakh children at upper primary level. Against these on an average basis 72.21 Lakh

children (100%) in Primary and 44.01 Lakh children (103%) in upper primary have been covered during the year 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB PM POSHAN expressed satisfaction over coverage of children in State. Secretary (SE&L) also advised the State to ensure data parity with UDISE+ Data.

4.2 School Working Days:

State has covered 185 days against the approval of 179 days.

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

4.3 PFMS - Fund Flow Mechanism

The State informed that the payments of honorarium to CCHs and Cooking Cost are being made through Centralized Payment System directly into Bank Accounts. Further State informed that they have completed almost all procedures to implement the new system for release of funds through PFMS in line with the revised procedure prescribed by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN advised the State to ensure that all requisite provisions of PFMS are followed to enable timely release of central assistance and smooth implementation of scheme at all levels.

4.4 Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME):

State has reported utilization of 81% of the allocated funds during the first three quarters of 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB PM POSHAN appreciated the efforts of State Government and advised to ensure prominent display of entitlements of children in all schools and carry out appropriate IEC activities for awareness generation through publicity.

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

PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 2,48,799 cook-cum-helpers to be engaged during 2021-22, the State has engaged 2,48,799 (100%) cook-cum-helpers. State is

providing an additional amount of Rs. 500 per CCH per month from its own resources.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the additional contribution to honorarium of Cook-cum-Helpers from State's own resources.

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

Central Assistance of Rs. 87373.99 Lakh has been released for construction of 81,856 kitchen-cum-stores during 2006-07 to 2020-21. As on 31.12.2021, construction has been completed for all 81,856 kitchen-cum-stores.

Central Assistance of Rs. 2919.00 Lakh has been released for repair of 48,650 units of kitchen cum stores during 2019-20 and 2020-21. State informed that all the repair works have been completed (100%).

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the effort of State in constructing all sanctioned kitchen-cum-stores and repair of all sanctioned units.

4.7 Kitchen Devices (new as well as replacement):

Central assistance of Rs. 4542.75 Lakh was released towards procurement of 90,855 units of kitchen devices during 2006-07 to 2021-22. The State has reported that all 90,855 units (100%) of kitchen devices have been procured.

Central assistance of Rs. 7816.25 lakh was released towards replacement of 1,23,868 units of kitchen devices from 2012-13 to 2021-22. The State reported that all 1,23,868 units of kitchen devices (100%) have been procured.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the efforts of State in procuring all sanctioned kitchen devices.

4.8 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens:

State has developed School Nutrition Gardens in 9,716 schools out of 83,945 schools. It was further informed that due to closure of schools during major part of 2021-22, the development work of School Nutrition Gardens could not be taken up.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN advised the State to make concerted efforts for development of School Nutrition Gardens in all schools. State may develop school nutrition gardens in remaining schools in convergence with local Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Agriculture Dept and Horticulture Dept etc. The funds available under MNREGS 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

State has not formally adopted concept like 'Tithi Bhojan'.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN advised the State to encourage the concept of 'Tithi Bhojan' by giving a suitable regional name for community participation in the Scheme. This would help in promoting a sense of ownership of the scheme among the community and children may get supplementary nutrition.

4.10 Additional food items:

The State informed that children are provided egg two days in a week from its own resources.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the provision of eggs from State's own resources.

4.11 Testing of meals:

State reported that testing of meals could not be undertaken during the year.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN advised the State to carry out the testing of food samples to check their quality and nutritional contents etc. through NABL/FSSAI Accredited Laboratories across the State, as envisaged in the Scheme guidelines.

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

State has organized training of 39,620 cook-cum-helpers under Utkarsh Bangla programme by Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development, Department of Technical Education, Govt. of West Bengal during the current financial year following Covid protocols.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated conduct of training. Further State was advised to organize training programmes for all the Cook-cum-Helpers in 2022-23.

4.13 Data Entry on PM POSHAN-MIS Web Portal:

PM POSHAN-MIS portal captures information on critical indicators of PM POSHAN. 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 meal 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 100% schools annual data entry and 99% schools monthly data entry in the MIS portal.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the data entry and advised the State to ensure 100% data entry within the prescribed time frame.

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

During 2021-22 entries under AMS could not be made because schools remained closed due to COVID pandemic.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN noted the reasons and advised the State to ensure 100% information submission on all working days under AMS as schools are open now.

4.15 Centralized kitchens:

No Centralized Kitchen has been engaged for serving the hot cooked meals to the children in State. However, 92 Cluster Kitchens run by the State Government are serving meals to 1,76,945 children in districts of Hawrah, Kolkata, North 24 Parganas and West Bardhaman.

Comments of PAB: PAB PM POSHAN advised the State to adhere to the extant guidelines for engaging Civil Society Organisations / Non-Government Organisations in the Scheme.

4.16 Social Audit:

State informed that Social Audit has not been conducted during 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN expressed concern over the Social Audit not being conducted in the State. The State was informed that under the provisions of Section 28 of National Food Security Act, 2013 Social Audit of the scheme is mandatory. State was advised to conduct Social Audit in all the districts. State was also advised to take appropriate measures for display of entitlements of children under PM POSHAN at prominent places easily visible to public in all schools. State was also advised to take appropriate measures for awareness generation about the scheme.

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

The State informed that dry ration including rice, potato, pulses, Bengal gram has been provided to all children on monthly basis as Food Security Allowance during closure of schools and hot cooked meals have been resumed from 16th February, 2022.

Comments of PAB: PAB PM POSHAN informed that Government 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 behaviour 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 71,95,728 children in Primary classes, 44,01,334 children in Upper Primary classes, 10,38,211 children in Bal Vatika and 25,058 children in NCLP on an average basis during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: After detailed discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved proposals of State to cover 71,95,728 children in Primary classes, 44,01,334 children in Upper Primary classes, 10,38,211 children in Bal Vatika and 25,058 children in NCLP on an average basis during 2022-23.

5.2 Coverage of Working Days

State Government has proposed to serve hot cooked meals on 245 days in Primary, Upper Primary, Bal Vatika and 312 days in NCLP schools during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State to serve PM POSHAN on 245 days in Primary, Upper Primary, Bal Vatika and 312 days in NCLP schools during 2022-23.

5.3 Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH)

State Government has proposed to engage 2,48,799 Cook-cum-Helpers under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State to engage 2,48,799 Cook-cum-Helpers under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

5.4 Drought

Drought has not been notified in the State.

Approval of PAB: Not applicable.

5.5 Construction and repair of Kitchen-cum-stores

State submitted the proposal to construct 100 new kitchen-cum-stores with an expenditure of Rs. 287.00 Lakh which comprises of Rs.172.20 Lakh as Central share and Rs. 114.80 Lakh as State share during 2022-23. State informed that these 100 schools are constructed by State Govt. funds and did not have kitchens.

State also submitted the proposal to repair of 19,535 kitchen-cum-stores with an outlay of Rs. 1953.50 Lakh which comprises of Rs. 1172.10 Lakh as Central share

and Rs. 781.40 Lakh as State share during 2022-23. These kitchen-cum-stores were constructed 10 years ago.

Approval of PAB: Following detailed discussion, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of the State to construct 100 kitchen-cum-stores with an outlay of Rs. 287.00 Lakh which comprises of Rs. 172.20 Lakh as Central share and Rs. 114.80 Lakh as State share during 2022-23.

PAB-PM POSHAN also approved State's proposal for repair of 19,535 Kitchen-cum-Stores with an expenditure of Rs. 1953.50 Lakh comprising of Rs. 1172.10 Lakh as Central share and Rs. 781.40 Lakh as State share during 2022-23.

5.6 Kitchen Devices

State submitted the proposal for replacement of 7,810 kitchen devices with an outlay of Rs. 1371.60 Lakh comprising of Rs.822.96 Lakh as Central share and Rs. 548.64 Lakh as State share during the year 2022-23. These kitchen devices were procured five years ago.

Approval of PAB: Following detailed discussion PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of the State to replace 7,810 kitchen devices with an outlay of Rs. 1371.60 Lakh comprising of Rs. 822.96 Lakh as Central share and Rs. 548.64 Lakh as State share during the year 2022-23.

5.7 Flexibility for new interventions

For School Nutrition Gardens and supplementary nutrition interventions, State may use a maximum of Rs.11293.66 Lakh comprising of Rs. 6776.20 Lakh as central share and Rs. 4517.46 Lakh as State share (5% of total recurring Central and minimum mandatory State share). This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

5.7.1 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens

State Government has proposed to develop School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens in 74,229 schools with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 3711.45 Lakh (Central Share Rs. 2226.87 Lakh and State Share Rs. 1484.58 Lakh)during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State to develop School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens in 74,229 schools with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 3711.45 Lakh comprising of Central Share of Rs. 2226.87 Lakh and State Share of Rs. 1484.58 Lakh. Further the State was advised to explore possibilities to develop and maintain School Nutrition Gardens through convergence.

5.7.2 Supplementary Nutrition

State Government has proposed to provide supplementary nutrition items i.e. an banana/egg per child for 55 days to 24.41 lakh children in 7 districts with high incidence of malnutrition viz. Bakura, Birbhum, Jalpaiguri (Tea Gardens), West Medinipur, Purulia, Jhargram and Sundarban under flexi funds component with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 6712.75 Lakh comprising of Rs. 4027.65 Lakh as central share and Rs.2685.10 Lakh as State share.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State to provide supplementary nutrition items i.e. an banana/egg per child for 55 days to 24.41lakh children in 7 districts with high incidence of malnutrition viz. Bakura, Birbhum, Jalpaiguri (Tea Gardens), West Medinipur, Purulia, Jhargram and Sundarban with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 6712.75 Lakh comprising of Rs. 4027.65 Lakh as central share and Rs. 2685.10 Lakh as State share under flexi funds component. This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

5.8 Cooking Competitions

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

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.

5.10 Awareness Generation Through Publicity and IEC activities

State proposed to carry out awareness generation activities like prominent display of entitlements of children under the Scheme, publicity of the Scheme and various IEC activities during 2022-23 by utilizing MME funds.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of State.

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 approval (Physical) for 2022-23
1	Institutions	
1.1	Primary	67,699
1.2	Upper Primary	16,246
1.3	NCLP	
2	Children	
2.1	Primary	71,95,728
2.2	Upper Primary	44,01,334
2.3	NCLP	25,058
2.4	Bal Vatika	10,38,211
3	Working Days	
3.1	Primary	245
3.2	Upper Primary	245
3.3	NCLP	312
3.4	Bal Vatika	245
4	Cook cum Helper	
4.1	Primary	1,68,751
4.2	Upper Primary	80,048
5	Serving of meals in Drought affected areas during summer vacation	
5.1	Children (Pry)	NA
5.2	Children (U Pry)	NA
5.3	Working days	NA
5.4	Cook-cum-helpers	NA
6	Non Recurring	

6.1	Kitchen-cum-Stores	100
6.2	Repair of kitchen-cum-stores	19,535
6.3	Kitchen Devices (New)	NA
6.4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	7,810

6.2 Flexibility for new interventions (Physical) :

S.No.	Component	PAB PM POSHAN approvals (Physical) for 2022-23
1	Flexibility for new interventions	
1.1	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (Setting up in all schools)	Setting up of School Nutrition Gardens in 74,229 Schools
1.2	Supplementary Nutrition over and above existing provisions (including additional items already being provided by State)	Provision of supplementary nutrition item i.e. banana/egg for 55 days covering 23.86 lakh children in 7 Districts with high prevalence of malnutrition viz. Bankura, Birbhum, Jalpaiguri (Tea Gardens), W. Medinipur, Purulia, Jhargram and Sundarban Areas.

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

7.1 Recurring and Non-Recurring (Financial)

(Rs. In Lakh)

Sl. No.	Particular	Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory State Share	Total (Central + State)
1	Recurring			
1.1	Serving of meals during regular school working days	143409.63	82463.65	225873.28
1.2	Serving of meals in Drought affected areas during summer vacations	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Recurring	143409.63	82463.65	225873.28
2.	Non Recurring			
2.1	Construction of Kitchen-cum-Store : 100 units	172.20	114.80	287.00
2.2	Repair of kitchen-cum-stores : 19,535 units.	1172.10	781.40	1953.50
2.3	Procurement of Kitchen	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Devices (new)			
2.4	Procurement of Kitchen Devices (Replacement) : 7810 units.	822.96	548.64	1371.60
	Total Non-Recurring	2167.26	1444.84	3612.10
	Total (Recurring + non-Recurring)	145576.89	83908.49	229485.38

7.2 Flexibility for new interventions

Particulars	Physical	Financial (Rs. In lakh)		
		Central Share	Minimum Mandatory State Share	Total
School Nutrition (Kitchen) Garden	74229 Schools	2226.87	1484.58	3711.45
Supplementary Nutrition	Provision of banana/ egg to 23.86 Lakh children for 55 days in 7 Districts with prevalence of malnutrition.	4027.65	2685.1	6712.75
Total		6254.52	4169.68	10424.20

Note: This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

8. The quantification of central assistance of Rs. 145576.89 Lakh & 364653.24 MTs foodgrains and minimum mandatory State share of Rs. 83908.49 lakh 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 PM POSHAN Scheme. The National Food Security Act, 2013, Rules, Guidelines and instructions issued under 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 Govt. 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 at any time 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 must be served hot cooked 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.

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STATE : WEST BENGAL

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)	7195728	245	176295.34	0	176295.34
2	U. Primary (@150 gms per child per school day)	4401334	245	161749.02	0	161749.02
3	NCLP (@150 gms per child per school day)	25058	312	1172.71	0	1172.71
4	Bal Vatika Children (@ 100 gms per child per school day)	1038211	245	25436.17		25436.17
4	Drought (NIL)					
4.1	Primary	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
4.2	Upper Primary	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL		12660331		364653.24	0.00	364653.24

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

Sl. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible (Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
Primary		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	5288.86
2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs.4.97 per child per day	
2.1	Central Share @ Rs.2.98 per child per day	52536.01
2.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs 1.99 per child per day	35082.77
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs.1400 Per MT food grains	2468.13
4	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
4.1	Central Share - @ Rs 600/- for 10 months)	10125.06
4.2	State Share - @ Rs 400/- for 10 months)	6750.04
5	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the	1901.29

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers 	
Total Central Share for Primary		72319.35

Upper Primary		
6	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	4852.47
7	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs.7.45 per child per day	
7.1	Central share @ Rs.4.47 per child per day	48201.21
7.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs. 2.98 per child per day	32134.14
8	Transportation cost @ Rs. 1400 Per MT food grains	2264.49
9	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
9.1	Central Share - @ Rs 600 for 10 months)	4802.88
9.2	State Share - @ Rs 400 for 10 months)	3201.92
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost 3) Cost of transportation and 4) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers 	1623.27
Total Central Share for Upper Primary		61744.32

NCLP		
11	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	35.18
12	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 7.45 per child per day	
12.1	Central share @ Rs. 4.47 per child per day	349.47
12.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @Rs. 2.98 per child per day	232.98
12.3	Transportation cost @ Rs.1400 Per MT food grains	16.42
12.4	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost and 3) Cost of transportation 	10.83
Total Central Share for NCLP		411.90
Bal Vatika		
11	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	763.09
12	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 4.97 per child per day	

12.1	Central share @ Rs.2.98 per child per day	7579.98
12.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @Rs. 1.99per child per day	5061.80
12.3	Transportation cost @ Rs.1400 Per MT food grains	356.11
12.4	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost and 3) Cost of transportation	234.88
Total Central Share for Bal Vatika		8934.06
Total Central Share (Primary + U.Pry +NCLP + Bal Vatika)		143409.63

C. Drought: Nil

D. Non-recurring

Sl. No.	Component	Amount admissible (Rs in Lakh)
1	Kitchen-cum-store (100 New KS)	172.20
2	Repair of kitchen-cum-store for 19535 units	1172.10
3	Kitchen Devices (New)	0.00
4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement) for 7810 units	822.96
Total Central Share (Non-recurring)		2167.26

E. Flexible funds for new interventions

S.No.	Component	Financial (Rs. In lakh)		
		Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory State Share	Total
1	Serving of meals during regular school working days – from Table B	143409.63	82463.65	225873.28
2.	Serving of meals in Drought affected areas during summer vacations– from Table C	0	0	0
3.	Total (1 +2)	143409.63	82463.65	225873.28
4.	Admissible Funds for Flexibility for new interventions	6776.20	4517.46	11293.66
5.	i) To develop School Nutrition Gardens in 74229 schools	2226.87	1484.58	3711.45
	ii) Provision of supplementary nutrition item i.e. banana/egg for 23.86 lakh children for 55 days in 7 Districts	4027.65	2685.10	6712.75
Total Flexi – funds		6254.52	4169.68	10424.20

F. Total Requirement of Funds for 2022-23

(Rs. in lakh)

Component		Centre Share	Minimum Mandatory State Share
Recurring	Normal	143409.63	82463.65
	Drought	Nil	Nil
Non- recurring		2167.26	1444.84
Grand Total		145576.89	83908.49

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