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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Human Resource Development**  
**Department of School Education & Literacy**  
**MDM Division**  
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Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi  
Dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016

To,  
Shri Chiranjiv Singh, IAS (R-1969 batch)  
Former Additional Chief Secretary,  
Government of Karnataka  
(080-2527-6653)

**Subject: 9<sup>th</sup> Joint Review Mission for Mid Day Meal Scheme - reg.**

Sir,

This is to apprise that Mid Day Meal Scheme is the largest school feeding programme in the world reaching out to about 10.20 crores of children in about 11.56 lakhs Government and Government Aided elementary schools including Madrasas and Maqtabs supported under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. A programme of such a large scale and magnitude of Mid Day Meal requires close monitoring and evaluation at all levels.

2. I am directed to say that Ministry of HRD has decided to review the implementation of the programme in all its aspects as per the defined Terms of Reference (copy enclosed) through Joint Review Mission. The Joint Review Mission would visit 6 States viz. Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh for a period of 9 days. The duration of the visit would be decided in consultation with the Mission Leader. The JRM will consist of 12 members including the Mission Leader. A team of 2 members will visit each State. The names of the members for each State would be decided by the Mission Leader. The members to be a mix of generalists and nutrition experts form the following:

i)	Shri Chiranjiv Singh, IAS (R-1969 batch)	Mission Leader
ii)	Shri Ranglal Jamuda, former Secretary, Food Processing Industries, Gol	Member
iii)	Shri Samar Ray, former Deputy CAG	Member
iv)	Dr. Mridula Saxena, PSSCIVE, NCERT, Bhopal	Member
v)	Dr. N. Harikumar, National Institute of Nutrition (NIN), Hyderabad	Member
vi)	Prof. Nalini Juneja, formerly of NUEPA	Member
vii)	Shri V. Manoj, representative of Office of Supreme Court Commissioner	Member
viii)	Dr. Jagmeet Madan, SNTD	Member
ix)	Shri Akshay Rout, IIS, Special DG, Doordarshan	Member
x)	Dr. Kalpana Kulshreshtha, Nutrition Expert, GBPAU	Member
xi)	Dr. Neelam Grewal, Nutrition Expert	Member
xii)	Dr. K. Umadevi, Nutrition Expert	Member

3. The total duration of the JRM would be 9 days with following break up
  - i) One day for national level briefing meeting,
  - ii) four days for field visits
  - iii) two days for report writing and presentation to the State Government; and
  - iv) two days for national level report writing and presentation
4. The JRM would be deputed in the last week of March, 2016 and 1<sup>st</sup> week of April, 2016. The final dates for the visit of the JRM would be decided in consultation with the Mission Leader.
5. The necessary arrangements for the members of the Joint Review Mission for accommodation, food and transport during the visit to State / District / school shall be made by the respective State Government. The expenditure on Joint Review Mission would be incurred by the respective State Government and the same would be reimbursed by the GOI after receiving the duly verified bills and vouchers from the respective States.
6. The JRM members will be provided air / train tickets from their place of stay to the respective State and back by Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL(India) Limited after receiving the itinerary from the respective Mission Leader / Members. The professional fees of the members would also be provided by the Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL (India) Limited as per Government of India rules.
7. This Department would also request the State Governments for extending necessary cooperation to the JRM during their visit and provide relevant documents / records as per the demand of the members of the JRM. The Mission Leader is requested to kindly indicate the State-wise names of the members and dates of their visit so that the States are informed in advance accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Gaya Prasad)  
Director(MDM)  
Tel: 011-23384253

**Copy to:**

- i) All the members of the Joint Review Mission (By Name)
- ii) Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of Education Department of Governments of Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh for information and necessary action.
- iii) Sr. PPS to Secretary(SE&L), Ministry of HRD
- iv) PPS to JS(EE.I), Ministry of HRD
- v) Shri Vijay K. Vaid, Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL (India) Limited for information and necessary action.